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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

Today.
(April 16.)

H.K. & S'hai Hotels, Annual
Meeting, Exchange Building, 11.30
a.m.

Hong Kong Cricket Club Tennis
Tournament:—

Open Singles:—

Semi-final: E. C. Fincher v. M.
W. Lo.

Handicap Singles "A":—

H. Owen Hughes (own 15.2) v.
winner of the tie H. J. Armstrong
(own 15) v. N. L. H. Kailton (own
5/6).

Handicap Doubles:—

Price and Price (own 2/6) v.
Penn and Collis (own 15).

Mixed Doubles:—

Mr. and Mrs. Stark (ser.) v. Mr.
and Mrs. Blaker (rec. 2/6).

Queen's Theatre: "Strictly Un-
conventional."

World Theatre: "Last Perform-
ance" and "Hold Your Man."

Central Theatre: "The Laughing
Lady."

King's Theatre: "Animal Crack-
ers."

Dances: Tea Dance, H.K. Hotel;

Dinner Dances, Hong Kong and
Peninsula Hotels.

European Mail.—Inward: Europe
via Suez (Haruna Maru).

Friday.

(April 17.)

Lecture by Mr. B. G. Birch on
"Some Notes on Histories and His-
torians," University Union Assem-
bly Room, 5.30 p.m.

Hong Kong Cricket Club, Tennis
Tournament:—

Open Singles:—

Semi-final: C. A. L. Rumjahn v.
S. A. Rumjahn.

Mixed Doubles:—

H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. Keary
(own 15) v. winners of the Mr. and
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Dances: Tea Dance, H.K. Hotel;

Dinner Dances, H.K. and Penin-
sula Hotels and Hotel Cecil.

Saturday.

(April 18.)

Athletics.—St. Joseph's College
Meeting (Caroline Hill), noon.

Football.—Sunday Herald Cup
Final, Scotland v. China (Club
ground).

Racing.—Third Extra Race Meet-
ing (Happy Valley).

Queen's Theatre: "Strictly Un-
conventional."

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ance" and "Hold Your Man."

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Lady."

King's Theatre: "Animal Crack-
ers."

DOWNFALL OF AL CAPONE.

NEW KING OF U.S. BOOTLEGGERS.

DEPOSED LEADER'S LIFE OF TERROR.

Miami, Florida.—Scarface Capone,
"the big shot" of the Chicago
racketeers, has reached the end of
his rope, and a new king has been
appointed to reign in his stead.

Publicity, with its power to make
or to mar a man, explains the
nemeses and downfall of the most
spectacular figure in the annals of
America's underworld of crime and
graft.

The redoubtable gangster and his
associates have realised from the
first that they must remain under-
ground to achieve success in their
undertakings, but publicity, con-
tinuous and remorseless, has been
thrust upon the king of bootleggers
at every step.

This publicity, not only national
but international, has been the
direct result of the rise of one
strong man of Italian origin, born
and reared in a respectable suburb
of New York, to a place of power
and colossal wealth in Chicago
seldom achieved in Europe by a
feudal baron—a power exercised as
Tear of the beer industry, which he
has maintained until recently, de-
spite the army of Federal prohibi-
tion agents, the city police and the
Chicago judiciary, plus the bitter
enmity and bloodthirsty rivalry of
competitors, old and new.

Victim of the Press.

Scarface, to put it frankly, has
been slaughtered by the American
newspaper Press, greatly aided by
the "Secret Six," Chicago's Reform
Committee, which has disclosed
lurid details of corruption and
crime suspected by many but
hitherto concealed from the public
eye.

The name of his successor in the
control of the manufacture and dis-
tribution of beer in the city of
Chicago and the County of Cook,
of which Chicago is the most im-
portant section, is known to a few
only, and to date has not been
printed. The Vice-Lord of Chicago,
the man whose profits in the beer
business alone are estimated by
Colonel Robert Randolph, head of
the Secret Six, at \$400,000 per week
(Capone brews beer at a cost of

12c. per barrel and sells it to thou-
sands and thousands of "speak-
easies" at \$11 per barrel), did not
actually resign his sceptre.

The authority which his well-
organised gang, operating with the
methods and personnel and experi-
ence of big business, vested in the
Big Shot, an authority maintained
vigorously by armed guards and
gunmen in charge of breweries and
a great fleet of motor-trucks, has
been gradually withdrawn, and
very soon, even the name of Al
Capone will be effaced, so far as
the control of beer and corruption
in Chicago is concerned.

Biggest U.S. Racket.

Please remember beer is the
biggest racket in the United States
—not whisky or wine—and in
Chicago the gambling-houses and
brothels and "dope" houses are
but sidelights in a network of
nefarious industry controlled by the
"Big Shots" of the gangster's or-
ganisation.

Three times since Christmas the
master minds of Chicago's racket-
eers have travelled fifteen hundred
miles south of Miami, Florida, to
confer with their chief, who is a
"winter resident" of Palm Island,
three miles off the coast, but con-
nected with the beautiful city of
Miami by a causeway three miles
long. In each case they have re-
mained three days, and their con-
ferences have taken place either on
the lawn in front of his flat-roofed
Spanish villa or on the porch of the
gangster's house.

Al Capone's residence, and plea-
sant garden, where coconuts, oran-
ges, and grapefruit grow in the
open, has been surrounded by its
present owner with a wall of white
coral 10ft. high. Additional privacy
is secured by his bodyguard, big
hefty-looking fellows, numbering
twelve, one of whom stands at the
island end of the causeway, another
at the barred entrance to his en-
closed estate, and still another at
the front door of the house. They
are on duty night and day, and
nobody is permitted to enter the
private grounds or house without
special permission or invitation.

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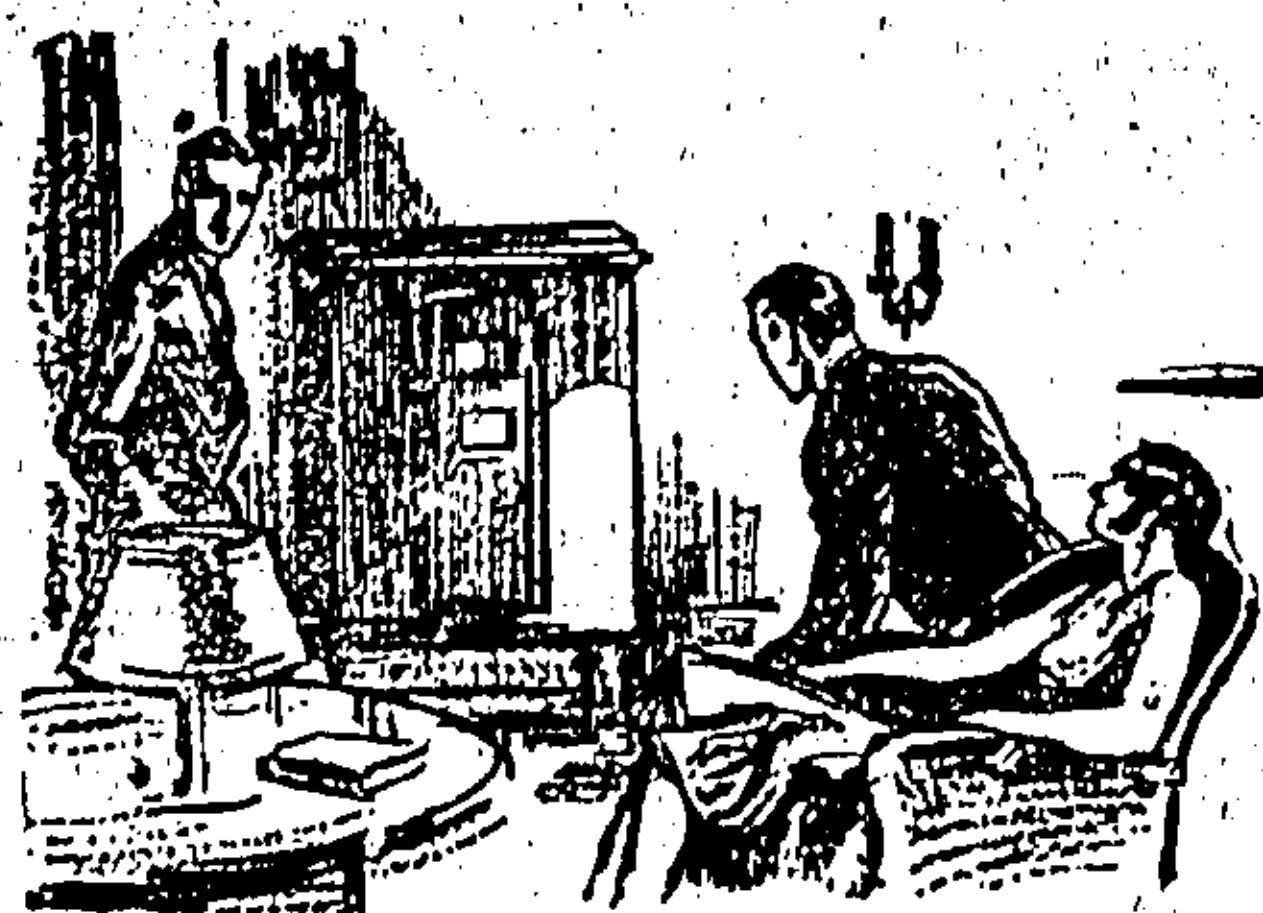
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Among the most uncannily fascinating things you could ever imagine are Home Talkies; miniatures of the real thing enacted before you in the peace and comfort of your own home.

The screens usually used measure about 4 feet by 3 feet, and the pictures are every bit as bright and clear as those projected on professional silver screens. And, curiously enough, one does not find it unnatural that the necessarily smaller figures retain normal speech characteristics. As a matter of fact, it is true to say that the dramatic value is enhanced by this.

American Enthusiasm.

As might have been expected, America is the first country really to succumb to the home talkie. Over there this new form of home entertainment is sweeping the country, and leaders of the cinematograph industry have expressed their firm convictions that it will inevitably assume an importance equal almost to that of broadcasting. Already at least six well-known manufacturing corporations are turning machines out on mass-production lines.

In view of all this with a certain amount of satisfaction for it is no exaggeration to claim that my own "Radioscope" was the seed out of which all these developments have grown. There may be some readers who have concluded that the "Radioscope" has died the death of many other inventions. But that is far, very far from being the case.

But I'll tell you exactly what has happened. I invented and patented the "Radioscope" Home Talkie two or three years ago. Those of you who remember it will have gathered that it was a method of electrically coupling an ordinary small cinema projector (such as can be bought for six or seven pounds) to any ordinary gramophone—electric or mechanical.

All Over the World.

The "Radioscope" worked excellently, and among those who saw it demonstrated and gave it liberal praise were Capt. P. P. Eckersley and Dr. Roberts. Dr. Roberts, indeed, was so confident of the idea that he undertook its commercial development.

And as the months passed, Dr. Roberts became more enthusiastic. He kept on improving it until it completely left off being a Dowding

Home Talkie and grew into a Roberts Home Talkie. There is nothing left of my original invention except the spirit of the bare idea—the coupling of sound and speech through existing simple apparatus.

Dr. Roberts has, of course, spent a large amount of money in the development of the scheme, and there are now no less than six issued patents on it (as well as several others in process) for this country alone. Issued patents have also been granted in practically every other country in the world, including the U.S.A., Canada, Australia, New Zealand, India, South Africa, Spain, France, Germany, Italy, Holland and Belgium.

Free From Snags.

As you can no doubt guess, quite a fair proportion of the two years I have referred to have been spent in the preparation and pursuance of all these patents.

And Dr. Roberts has received numerous applications for manufacturing licences from all parts of the world.

Now before I discuss the actual apparatus I must mention that Dr. Roberts is conservative, and has a penchant for locating minute snags—snags many of us would hardly

bother about, but which he will spend hours on endeavouring to remove.

And in the development of a scheme such as his Home Talkie such characteristics are invaluable.

Unrivalled.

There is plenty of practical proof of his enthusiasm, scientific knowledge, wide experience and powers of concentration in his wonderful little device. Though I say so to the detriment of my own invention, I consider it the ultimate in simplicity and technical efficiency. I can visualise nothing that could possibly rival it.

But I'll tell you all about, and you will then be able to see for yourselves what this thing is that causes me to writhe at the comparative clumsiness of my original arrangement!

In the first place, I must point out that the several other systems of Home Talkies in existence comprise moderately complicated outfits, generally consisting of combined radio-gram projectors in expensive cabinets and ranging in price around about one hundred guineas. And there is invariably a turntable driven by the projector itself with a consequent great liability for the speed to vary, and that means disagreeable fluctuations in tone.

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LONG-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Metres)	Station	Call Sign	Kilo-cycles
260	Manila	K.Z.B.	1,163
277	Shanghai	K.S.M.S.	1,085
280	Tientsin	C.R.O.	1,070
310	Shanghai	K.R.C.	967
320	Peking	J.O.P.K.	945
345	Tokyo	J.O.A.K.	870
353	Hiroshima	J.O.F.K.	850
355	Hong Kong	Z.B.W.	846
397	Bombay	V.U.B.	840
361	Sapporo	J.O.I.K.	830
366	Keijo	J.O.D.K.	820
370	Nagoya	J.O.C.K.	810
370.4	Calcutta	V.U.O.	809.9
380	Kumamoto	J.O.G.K.	790
390	Sendai	J.O.H.K.	770
395	Dairen	J.D.A.K.	760
398	Hankow	V.U.B.	754
400	Osaka	J.O.B.K.	750
410	Canton	C.M.B.	738
413	Manila	K.Z.B.M.	736

SHORT-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Metres)	STATION	CALL SIGN	Kilo Cycles	TIME (HONG KONG) OF WORKING
67.65	Dobnitz (Germany)	A.F.K.	4,434	Mon., Wed. & Fri., 6 p.m. & 2 a.m.
69.12	Khabarovsk (Russia)	E.A.97.	4,000	6—10 p.m.
69.7	Nauen	A.G.J.	5,291	Not regular
70.	Moscow	E.P.N.	6,000	Tues., Thurs., Sat., 8 p.m.
73.6	Bombay	L.M.A.	6,805	Sunday midnight
74.3	Singapore	A.G.G.	7,142	Daily 6.30 p.m. & 11 p.m.
78.10	Kootwijk (Holland)	V.S.I.A.B.	7,810	Not regular
81.25	Sydney	P.C.L.	7,780	Daily 11 p.m.
81.25	Sydney	H.S.A.P.J.	8,108	Tues. & Fri., 9 p.m.—1 a.m.
82.6	Sydney	2.H.L.	9,220	Not regular
81.65	Melbourne	3.L.O.	9,508	Not regular
81.96	Schneeberg (Holland)	W.X.X.A.F.	9,530	Daily 7 a.m.
81.20	Schneeberg (Holland)	P.G.J.	9,580	Fri. 8 a.m., Sat. 3 a.m. & 10 a.m.
81.25	Sydney	2.F.C.	9,500	Not regular
81.	Nairobi (Kenya)	7.L.O.	9,977	Midnight daily
28.6	Sydney	2.M.E.	10,510	Not regular
27.8	Chelmsford (England)	P.L.R.	11,020	Midnight—3 a.m. daily
26.63	Chelmsford (England)	G.S.W.	11,751	7.30 p.m. & 3 a.m. daily, except Saturday and Sunday
24.5	Manila	K.I.X.E.	12,240	Nightly
23.85	Schneeberg (Holland)	W.X.X.O.	12,650	4 a.m. Wed., Fri., Sat.
18.68	Schneeberg (Holland)	P.L.O.	16,102	Daily 6.30 p.m. to midnight
18.4	Schneeberg (Holland)	P.O.L.	16,804	Daily 7 p.m.
17.4	Schneeberg (Holland)	P.L.F.	17,280	Daily 8 p.m. to midnight
16.9	Schneeberg (Holland)	H.S.I.P.J.	17,781	Sundays 7 p.m. & midnight
16.3	Schneeberg (Holland)	P.O.K.	18,404	Each afternoon
15.74	Schneeberg (Holland)	P.L.E.	19,220	Daily 8.30—7 p.m.
15.4	Nancy (France)	W.S.X.K.	19,531	Daily 8 a.m.
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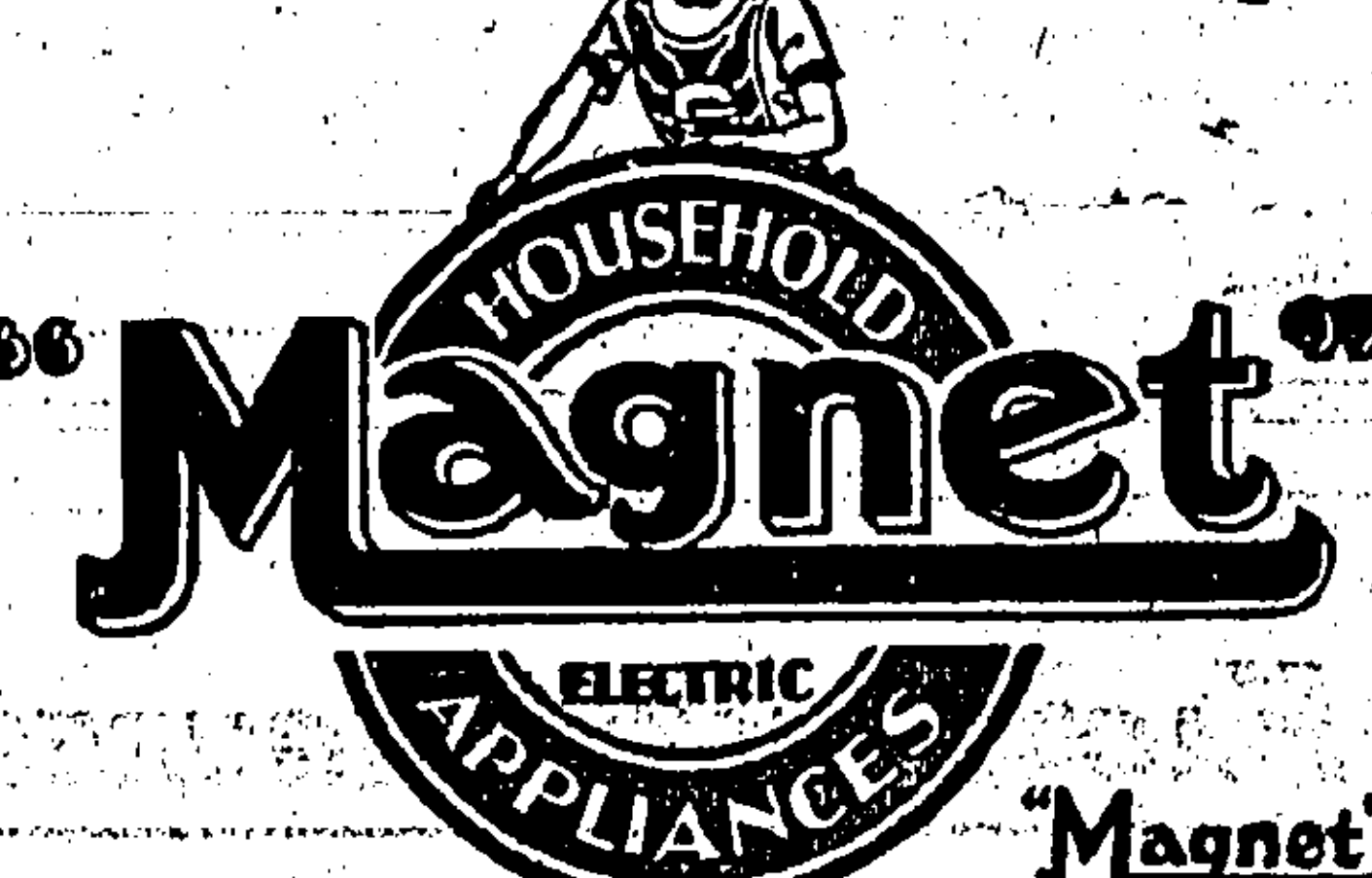
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radio is worthily upholding its
tradition of success in the field of
international telegraphic communi-
cations. The new service to and
from China provides a much needed
additional outlet, and it encourages
a freer exchange of commercial
messages and news.Since the early part of December,
1930, the R.C.A. built radio-tele-
graph transmitters at Chen-ju have
been in continuous operation hand-
ling message traffic—radiograms—to
all parts of the world affording
the most direct and most modern
means of electrical communications
to exterior countries.The Chinese Government Radio
Administration Shanghai terminal
of this international communication
system consist of three essential
units: (1) the central office and
operating headquarters in the Sas-
soon House; (2) the transmitting
station at Chen-ju and (3) the re-
ceiving station at Liu-hong. These
three units are interconnected by
so called control lines and tone
channels enabling the actual opera-
tion to be performed directly and
instantaneously from the central
office in Sassoon House.The central office equipment is
composed of the latest types of auto-
matic message handling apparatus
together with associated storage
batteries, panel switchboards, motor-
generators and other auxiliary gear.

Out-going Messages.

Outgoing messages are "punch-
ed" on a machine resembling an
ordinary typewriter and known as
a tape perforator. This device
punches a combination of holes
corresponding to the dot and dash
signals of the Morse telegraph code
on a narrow ribbon of paper tape.
This perforated tape is then fed
into an automatic keying machine
which is connected directly with
the actual radio transmitter at
Chen-ju by means of the control
lines. In this manner the Chen-ju
transmitters instantaneously func-
tion and puts the radiogram "on
the air." Incoming messages are
taken care of in a somewhat re-
verse manner being intercepted by
the receiving apparatus at Liu-hong.
The signal output from Liu-hong
receivers is connected directly to
the central office by means of the
ordinary telegraph wires known as
tone channels and is thus instantly
received in the operating room and
automatically recorded in Morse
code characters on a strip of paper
tape similar to that used in trans-
mission. This tape is then rapidly
transcribed by an expert operator
to the radiogram form and the
message is then ready for delivery.

Receiving Station.

Liu-hong, the receiving station,
is located about six miles west of
Woosung or about sixteen miles
north of Shanghai. Such a location
was primarily chosen for the receiv-
ing site to eliminate the various
forms of electrical interference or
"man-made static" which is char-
acteristic in the immediate neigh-
borhood of any large city. An-
other consideration necessary in
selecting a site for the commercial
installation, either for reception or
transmission, is the fairly large
acresage required for the erection of
the various buildings and antenna
systems. The several sets of receiv-
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stages upon the crystal. Following
the buffer amplifier stage is a 75
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and frequency doubler. This unit
in turn feeds another similar unit
which performs the same function.
The output from this later unit
is delivered to a circuit containing
a 570 watt screen-grid tube which
also acts as an amplifier and fre-
quency doubler. This unit in turn
feeds a balanced amplifier consist-
ing of two 750 watt screen-grid
radiotrons in a standard push-pull
circuit. The above master-oscillator
and associated amplifiers together
with the necessary rectifiers, trans-
formers, filters, etcetera, comprises
a complete self-contained transmit-
ter the output of which is 1,000
watts or more. The final amplifying
stage which actually feeds the
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cooled power radiotrons connected
two in parallel on each side of a
push-pull circuit. The twelve thou-
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of these tubes is derived from a
special three phase full-wave recti-
fier using six water-cooled heavy
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system on wavelengths between 14
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home about. Such a work is
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Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer adapted
from W. Somerset Maugham's
play, "The Circle," and is now pre-
sented at the Queen's Theatre.Whether the brilliance of this
satire on marriage is due to the
excellent performances of its all-
star cast which boasts of such well-
known screen and theatrical names
as Lewis Stone, Ernest Torrence,
Catherine Dale Owen, Alison Skip-
worth, Mary Forbes, Tyrrell Davis
and Paul Cavanagh, is hard to
tell since the whole thing has been
so shrewdly bound together in the
capable direction of David Burton.
To be sure, both director and cast
had splendid material to work with
in the first place, but "Strictly
Unconventional," although it fol-
lows the general outlines of Maugh-
am's stage hit, turns out to be
an improvement over the original
in that the camera has been used
to illustrate situations which the
limitations of the stage made im-
possible.The plot tells of the predicament
of Clive Champion-Cheyny, who
was deserted thirty years previous-
ly by his wife, Lady Kitty, for a
Lord Porteous, and now finds that
history has repeated itself in the
case of Elizabeth, his son's wife,
who is on the verge of leaving her
husband, Arnold, for the more ar-
dent attentions of Ted Luton, a
house guest. In the hope of show-
ing Elizabeth what a mistake she
is making, Clive arranges for the
younger pair from following their
example by telling them of their
unhappiness in respect to social
ostracism and the loss of Lord
Porteous' political career. Clive
Elizabeth, however, sees that
despite all they have gone through,
Lady Kitty and Porteous are still
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"WHOOPEE."

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magazine, has increased to such
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that she is almost as close to the
leadership held by the flaming hair-
ed "It Girl" from Brooklyn as
anyone else in the movie world is.
Her first appearance was in sup-
port of Emil Jannings in one of the
last pictures he made before his
return to Germany—"Sins of the
Fathers." Since then she has played
in "The Doctor's Secret," "The
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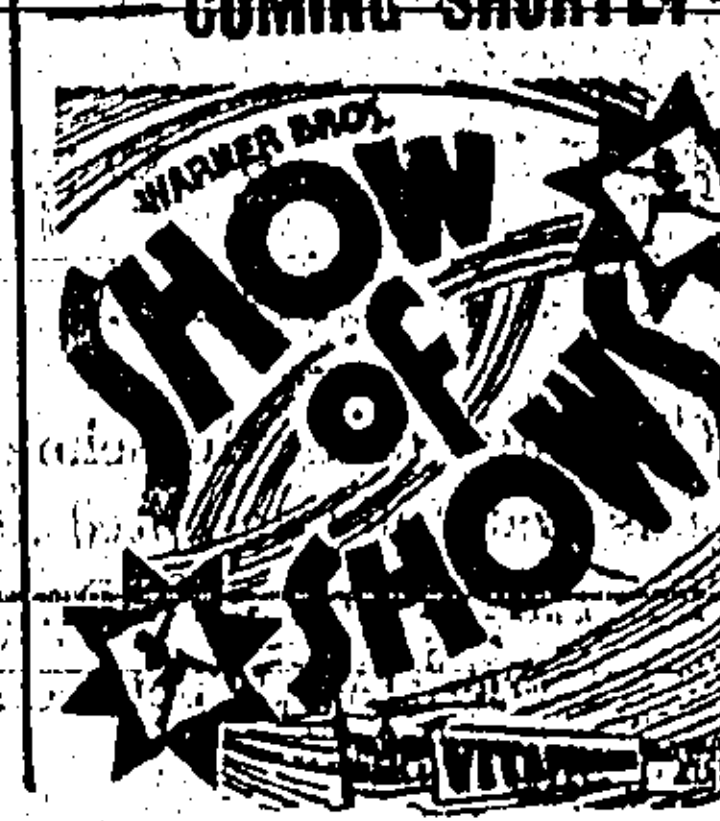
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DOWNFALL OF AL CAPONE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

To all appearances Palm Island, in the lovely Bay of Biscayne, with its water seldom below 70 deg., is safe enough; but Capone knows that his life is at stake and he takes no risks.

It is known from disclosures of malcontents who have seceded from Scarface's gang, and from other sources perhaps more reliable, that the weakening of the chief's rule has been the topic of angry discussion. Capone insisted at first upon his complete domination of the Chicago front and of the organisation of which he has been the mainspring. His opponents, hungry for power and a bigger division of profits, argued in favour of a new distribution of territory and the appointment of new "district rulers" in places where business had either declined or was increasing too slowly.

Farewell to His Greatness.

Scarface's rule was attacked savagely, and the notoriety which his name has secured was denounced as a menace not alone to the future of the "business," but also to the personal safety of his associates. The chief was held responsible for his failure to come to terms with "men higher up" who are working for his downfall. Pointed reference was made to the increasing power of the "Big Six" Reform Committee of Chicago's business men, accusations were made that high officials who formerly winked at the beer racket are now frowning upon the present methods of alleviating Chicago's thirst.

The first conference on Palm Island was only preparatory—a clearing of the ground. It was, according to all accounts, a love feast compared with the second, when Capone, tired out by angry discussion, virtually placed his fate in the hands of his constituents. The third conference ended in a drunken brawl, in which many bottles from the Bahamas and the Island of Cuba—two hours' flying distance from Miami airport—were smashed.

All these conversations took place amid the surrounding palms, under the shade of the whispering palms on Capone's private property. They were known to the score of residents on the island, all enemies of the Big Gangster because his residence amongst them has reduced the value of their real estate by 50 per cent.

A few hours before Capone went by his private yacht to Miami airport to fly to Chicago, where he has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for contempt of court, it was known to the Federal detective police, as well as to the bootlegging fraternity, in this city, that Capone had said farewell, forever, to all his greatness, and that another had been appointed with lesser prerogatives to reign in his stead.

Assassins and Kidnappers.

Al Capone's favourite pastime is fishing. Shadfish, ranging from 25 lbs. to 100 lbs., are caught here; also the sportive tuna—"look one and fight an hour"—weighing from 5 lbs. to 150 lbs., barracudas, the tiger of the sea, and plenty of fish of smaller size.

Sea-fishing is another diversion of the dethroned potentate. He does not play golf, but spends hours at cards with his bodyguard. He fights shy of the city of Miami, where he has been arrested several times as a "vagrant."

Miami is not proud of her "winter resident." A few days ago the "Red Cross" here refused his donation of \$200. His presence even in Palm Island is considered as a liability and as a slur upon Miami's reputation with tourists.

For Mrs. Capone, a good-looking Irish woman, also of Brooklyn birth, one finds considerable sympathy. She goes to Mass regularly, and is a member of the Sisterhood of St. Theresa. She seldom leaves the island home except to go to church.

Guard on Schoolboy Son.

"Tony," the ten-year-old son of the Capones, is a bright little fellow. He goes to Miami daily in a roadster driven by one of his father's Pretorian guards to attend the school conducted by the Jesuit Fathers of the Church of the Redeemer, where he was recently confirmed.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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11 to 11.30 a.m.—Stock quotations.
11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme.
1 p.m.—Weather report, local time, etc.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press news.
2 p.m.—Close down.
6 to 8 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.
6 to 6.27 p.m.—

Band Selections.

"Parsifal"—March of the Knights of the Holy Grail (Wagner).—The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards, conducted by Capt. George Miller.—DX76.
"Old Folks at Home and in Foreign Lands" (J. C. Roberts).—Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards, conducted by Capt. George Miller.—DX210.
6.27 to 6.55 p.m.—

Humorous Songs.

Song—"A Fine Old English Gentleman."—Harry Pearth (Baritone).—DX50.
Chorus—"Sir Harry Lauder Songs"—Vocal gems.—The Border Singers.—DX105.
Song—"If Winter Comes."—Billy Bennett.—DX13.
Descriptive Sketch—"An Old Time Sing Song."—Charles Colborn.—DX21.
6.55 to 7.15 p.m.—

Pianoforte Solos.

"Caprice Chinoise" (Cyril Scott).—Cyril Scott.
"Pensoso" (Cyril Scott).—Cyril Scott.—2284.
"Paraphrase on Rigoletto Quartet" (Verdi-Liszt).—Irene Scharrer.—2295.
7 p.m.—Stock quotations.
7.15 to 7.40 p.m.—

Gems from Gilbert and Sullivan.
"H.M.S. Pinafore"—Vocal gems.—Columbia Light Opera Co.—DX505.

"Iolanthe"—Vocal gems.—Columbia Light Opera Co.—DX17.
"Patience"—Vocal gems.—Columbia Light Opera Co.—DX33.
7.40 to 8 p.m.—

Concert Items.

Violin Solo—"Persian Song" (Clinka and Zimbalist).—Efrem Zimbalist.—2101.
Song—"Eileen Auman" (E. S. Marble and J. Thomas).—Dame Clara Butt (Contralto).—X341.
Pianoforte Solo—"Gnomesreigen" (Liszt).—Leif Remisnohff.—2053.
Song—"Thou Reminest" (McGrannhan).—William McEwan (Tenor).—2055.
8 p.m.—Weather report, local time, etc.
8.05 to 10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio concert.
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

SOVIET EX-OFFICIAL FILES SUIT.

ACTION AGAINST GERMAN PAPER.

Berlin, April 10.—Bessedowski, the former Councillor of the Soviet Embassy at Tokyo and later on at Paris, whose sensational flight from the Paris Embassy and subsequent publication of alleged secrets of Soviet diplomatic and political methods attracted world-wide attention, has filed a suit for heavy damages in the Berlin court against the National Socialist organ *Voelkischer Beobachter* which in commenting on his allegation that the Hitlerites had appealed to Moscow for subsidies and had received them, called Bessedowski an "infamous scoundrel" who for years had lived in luxury at the cost of the Russian people and staged his flight from the Soviet Embassy only when the Russian police were about to bring him to book. The trial is being awaited with great interest as Bessedowski has announced that he is ready to prove his allegations against the National Socialists. Meanwhile the Secretionists from the National Socialist Party headed by Captain Stennes are gaining more adherents than had originally been expected. They are calling themselves "Revolutionary National Socialists" and have issued the first number of a bi-weekly newspaper. Throughout northern Germany the movement is growing but in spite of this it is still too early to estimate what influence it will have on the future of Herr Hitler's party.

YOUNG SOLDIER'S TRAGIC END.

SUICIDE FOLLOWING PUNISHMENT.

Pathetic notes from a young artilleryman in the Royal Artillery, John Arthur Ransome, aged 20, of the 1st Training Battery, 1st Training Brigade, Woolwich, who hanged himself after being punished, were read at the Greenwich inquest.

Ransome, it was stated, was given seven days' C.B. and his temporary bombardier's stripe was taken away for being improperly dressed on a brigade parade.

Ransome wrote to his father, Capt. John William Ransome, a retired officer of the Cheshire Regiment, asking him to intervene. Capt. Ransome, of Liverpool, said that his son had been in the Army since he was 14. On Feb. 27 his son spoke of the punishment in a letter.

Capt. Ransome added that he wrote to the commanding officer at Woolwich. He considered the punishment his son received was severe.

Bombardier Artificer Harris said that Ransome and he worked together in a fitter's shop at the Woolwich Depot. On Tuesday morning when he went to the shop he found the inner doors locked, and on it was a note in Ransome's handwriting, which said:

"Fetch a constable. Bust the door in. I am dead. One a.m. 3/3/31. Miss Lillian Hammock, Ransome's fiancée, said she saw him on Sunday and again on Monday evening, when he had a very bad cold and was quiet and despondent.

Miss Hammock added that Ransome also told her that he had been punished because he did not have a woollen cardigan on parade on the Thursday morning.

A Previous Offence.

Capt. Kenneth MacKichan, captain in the Royal Artillery, who is temporarily in charge of the 1st Training Battery at Woolwich, said that he regarded Ransome as a good workman, but was disappointed in him because he was not justifying the temporary stripe he had been given on his recommendation for his work as a soldier. Ten days before the "crime" he had congratulated Ransome on his work.

Referring to the punishment, Capt. MacKichan said that a week previously he had had Ransome before him in the orderly room and had warned him for a similar offence, so that when he again appeared on Feb. 28 he told him that he had no option but to punish him. The punishment was for a bad turn-out on a ceremonial parade.

"At the same time," said the officer, "he was uncivil in the office—deliberately, I considered—and as I had warned him previously about that, I gave him half an hour's shouting drill to try and teach him his manners. I did not want to put against him a charge of insubordination, because that would have looked bad on his crime-sheet."

Police-constable Plummer produced four notes which, he said, he found in a table in the fitter's shop added up to the corner. Capt. MacKichan, Miss Hammock, and Capt. Ransome. To the corner Ransome wrote:

"You will hold an inquest over my body. I am not of unsound mind, but perfectly collected. I make a protest against the methods of the Army. Capt. MacKichan will be an important witness. My career is ruined. I ask you to spare the notoriety which will follow this case."

Brooded Too Much.

Recording a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind, Dr. Knight, addressing the father, said: "I think he brooded too much over this punishment. It is now obvious that that would not have affected his promotion. There are many good soldiers who have far more entries on their crime-sheets than he seems to have had. He certainly had not very depressed, probably owing to an attack of influenza, and this depression was increased by his bad cold. I think he laid too much stress in his mind on the fact of his punishment impairing his prospects. I should say he was a young and ambitious soldier, and would have made a good soldier in time."

Outside the court Capt. MacKichan and Capt. Ransome shook hands.

TALKIES AND YOUR RADIO.

(Continued from Page 2.)

Simplest, But Best.

But the new invention (I can call it that, for it has only just reached its present stage of complete perfection) comprises an entirely new principle and involves a simple form of mechanical synchronising for coupling any ordinary home projector with any ordinary gramophone, from the simplest mechanical type to the most expensive of the electricals.

But although it is undoubtedly the simplest Home Talkie in the world, no other one can give better results, and there are few, if any, to equal it. This is all totally irrespective of its price.

The pictures are, in fact, as good as those which the projector can give, and the tone and clearness of the speech and music equally represent the optimism of which the gramophone is capable. Nothing at all is lost at either side; actually, there is often a gain due to the speed-stabilising effect of the synchroniser. This is particularly noticeable when a cheap, portable gramophone is used.

The synchroniser which will, I suppose, cost absurdly little to buy, for it is the perfect mass-production job, is a flexible coupling that will be available in various lengths. There will be short ones if you want to couple a nearby electric gramophone on long ones if you wish to couple with a gramophone placed near to, or behind the screen.

Any Projector—Any Gramophone.

At each end are the adaptors, and these enable the coupling between any little projector and gramophone in a matter of seconds. One of the main secrets is the use of a special turntable device for placing on the gramophone. The master patents cover the only practical ways of connecting to an existing gramophone. The mechanics of the thing are simplicity itself. A balancing and retarding action operates through a straightforward worm-gearing. In ordinary language that means the one end of the coupling is free to move only with the rotation of a worm. You see the idea? But in case you think the invention is one of those that are too beautifully simple to be practical, you can take it from me that some hundreds of gear wheels were cut before exactly the right pitches of threads were arrived at.

When the adaptors at each end of the link have been screwed in place, you merely have to switch on the projector, and off you go. And to stop it you switch off. There are no adjustments of speed to make—your gramophone already does that for you, and there is not the slightest possibility of the thing getting out of synchronism. You can even stop and start the apparatus in the middle of films without affecting the synchronisation.

Perfect Synchronisation.

And when I say that you can alter the speed of either the gramophone or the projector without making any difference, I know you will find it hard to believe—but it is so. Why should you at the beginning, set the film or record only approximately, you can bring the two into synchronism while the gear is actually running.

And all this, remember, with an outfit costing but a tenth or twentieth of most of those Home Talkies that are selling widely in the United States!

Dr. Roberts has been having it exhibited at the British Industries Fair to the amazement of the most critical technical, musical and artistic people. Many have said that the *synchronisation* and *tone* are better than are given by full-sized apparatus in London cinemas! And all this is obtainable with gear that, given a gramophone (with or without a pick-up driven through your radio outfit) should cost less than most three-valvers.

For those who don't happen to realise it, although it is estimated that over one hundred thousand home projectors are already in use in this country alone, the little projectors use non-inflammable film and are quite automatic in operation.

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In conclusion, I would like to make it clear that I have written this article so that readers shall know that Dr. Robert has brought the Home Talkies to its final stage of perfection. It only remains for me to add that the necessary films and records will be available in due course for general circulation at prices within the reach of all.—G. V. Dowling, in Popular Wireless.

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LAST BOURBON MONARCH LEAVES SPAIN.

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Street Fighting Fatalities.

Several deaths were reported subsequent to the street fighting, the cause of which is unknown. The police fired on a crowd attacking the police depot.

The National Confederation of Labour proclaimed a 24-hours' general strike in order to "prevent a monarchist reaction."

Armed peasants have been holding up all vehicles in the district, only allowing Republican supporters to pass.

Senor Macia, provisional President of the Republic of Catalonia, has issued a declaration that he has assumed office provisionally under Senor Zamora as head of the Federated Spanish Republic, and the Catalonian Republic will be an integral state within the Spanish Federation.

Queen Ena and Family Depart Unobtrusively.

A huge concourse gathered at the Central Station this morning not only anxious to welcome the airman Major Franco on his return from exile, but to witness the departure of Queen Ena and her daughters.

They were disappointed in both hopes, for the Queen and her children had unobtrusively boarded a train for France at a wayside station, El Planilla.

The train was driven by the Duke of Saragossa, who always acts as engine-driver for the King and Queen.

A number of Court dignitaries were on board the train accompanying the royal family to exile.

Major Franco Eagerly Awaited. While ex-King Alfonso is proceeding to England the capital is deliriously celebrating the advent of the Republic.

Yelling bands of youths of both sexes are in holiday mood wearing the red, gold and purple tricolour dancing in the streets unobscured by the police, who are only noticeable for their rarity.

The centre of interest is the Central Station, where an enormous crowd is hoping for the arrival of Major Franco, the airman hero of the Quatrocientos Aerodrome revolt.

When the express from Paris was two miles from the terminus it was held up by hundreds of red-bonneted youths and girls standing on the line waving flags.

The crowd climbed the steps and roofs of the carriages, but eventually the train was able to proceed slowly through the masses of people along the line to the station. All were most disappointed when their reception committee, which entered the train, reported that Franco was absent.

Outside the station in the warm spring sunshine girls and young men, some in uniform, danced round the Republic flag or climbed upon every passing vehicle.

There was no sign of disturbance, including a number of Spanish titled passengers who were allowed to pass through the dense crowds without trouble.

Exiled Revolutionary Leaders Return.

Monday, April 15. A train from Paris bringing the exiled Spanish revolutionary leaders, including Senor Prieto, Minister of Finance in the Republican Government, received a frenzied welcome at this frontier station.

The crowd were disappointed at not seeing the airman Major Franco, who with General Deliano is returning to-morrow.

Ex-King Alfonso at Gibraltar.

General, April 15. Ex-King Alfonso and his son, the Infante Juan, who was a naval cadet at Cadiz, arrived from Cadiz on board a Spanish destroyer and went to the Hotel Bristol.

LATER. The Infante Juan subsequently went to Government House at the invitation of the British Commander-in-Chief.

President of Spanish Republic.

LONDON, April 15. Senor Alcala Zamora, head of the new Government of Spain has twice been a Minister of the Crown, and the only ex-Minister to abjure the monarchy to become a Republican.

By his conversion the Republican ranks gained one of their cleverest adherents. He was the mainspring of the December rising, after which for six months he conducted Republican business from prison.

He is one of the greatest orators in Spain and one of the best informed men on military questions, particularly the Moroccan question.

King Alfonso Abdicates.

MADRID, April 14. King Alfonso abdicated at 8.30 this afternoon and later left for Portugal.

Accompanied by Faithful Followers.

Ex-King Alfonso was accompanied by Prince Asturias, Admiral Rivera, the Duke of Miranda and a few faithful members of the Civil Guards.

Other members of the Royal Family will leave Madrid to-morrow morning.

It is understood that the ex-King will embark at dawn for an unknown destination.

Government Resigns.

The political excitement culminated this afternoon in the announcement that ex-King Alfonso had abdicated and will leave the capital this evening, it is believed, for the Portuguese frontier.

Madrid Wild With Excitement.

Madrid is wild with excitement, and officers are driving through the streets waving large Republican flags, whilst motor-cars carrying red flags are rushing through the streets proclaiming the advent of the Republic.

Admiral Aznar to-day handed over the Government to the Republican leader, Senor Zamora.

Ex-King's Safety.

Catalonia must for the present be regarded as an autonomous Republic, provisional to the Zamora Government, which has taken all measures to ensure order and guarantee the personal safety of the ex-King.

Senor Lerroux becomes Foreign Minister.

Conflicting Rumours.

No official announcement is yet made of the ex-King's abdication, and the capital is full of conflicting rumours.

It is generally assumed that the announcement has been postponed until to-morrow in order to give the ex-King the opportunity of getting quietly away to Portugal.

The New Cabinet.

Senor Zamora has announced that the first principle of his programme is to "go slow to prevent disorder and bloodshed."

His Cabinet comprises:—
Senor Zamora, Prime Minister.
Senor Lerroux, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Senor Azana, Minister of War.
Senor Casares Quiroga, Minister of Marine.

Senor Indalecio Prieto, Minister of Finance.
Senor Miguel Maura, Minister of the Interior.

Senor Albornoz, Minister of Public Works.
Senor Largo Caballero, Minister of Labour.

Senor Martinez Barrios, Minister of Economy.
Senor Fernando Delosarios, Minister of Public Instruction.

More United Spain.

Catalonia has decided not to remain autonomous. Colonel Macia, the Catalan leader, telephoned to Senor Zamora:—

"This marvellous movement must satisfy Catalonia by satisfying a greater and more united Spain."

Republicans Insisted Upon Unconditional Renunciation of Power.

LATER. The ex-King's departure this evening was totally unobserved, and followed an offer to abdicate in favour of his son, to which the Republicans replied insisting on an unconditional renunciation of power.

En Route to Paris?

LATER. The ex-King's destination is being kept an official secret until he is "out of harm's way," but Reuter is informed that ex-King Alfonso, with the rest of the Royal Family, is en route to Paris.

"A Sleeping Car Instead of the Scaffold."

The question which King Alfonso asked only a fortnight ago:—"If the Republicans are in the majority and can make their will prevail, why don't they do so and cease this criminal agitation?"—has received a Constitutional answer.

The King bowed to it and departed under a Republican safe conduct.

He has earned universal commendation by avoiding bloodshed, and for the first time in a life filled with hairbreadth escapes from assassins, has not sought to despise what he called "the risks of his profession."

The oldest Monarchy in Europe has thus disappeared practically bloodlessly, in conformity with the method forecasted in the newspaper *Libertad* yesterday, proclaiming: "Gentlemen, take your seats, the train is off," adding: "To-day we are more civilised than formerly. We ask their Majesties to take a sleeping car instead of the scaffold."

Penola Will Become More Stable.

Trains are crossing the frontiers packed both ways with aristocrats outwards and refugees homewards. The latter include the new Finance Minister, Senor Prieto, who, interviewed by Reuter at Paris, forecasted a more stable future for the penola.

The transference of authority at Madrid was made via the Presidents of the old Senate and Chamber and communicated to the public by the hoisting of the Republican flag, which was hailed delightedly.

Senor Zamora immediately broadcast an exhortation to preserve dignity and public order and promising regional freedom.

Officials Oppose New Régime.

A few officials opposed the new régime. The Captain-General of Valencia displayed hostility and was removed.

General Berenguer, War Minister, refused to hand over his seals of office and will be arrested.

Composition of New Cabinet.

The new Cabinet includes six members who were recently court-martialled in connection with the December rising and sentenced to six months' imprisonment, but they will be released within a few days.

Ex-King Will Be Welcome in Britain.

Ex-King Alfonso is assured of a welcome in Britain if he cares to come judging from the sympathetic assurances in the London newspapers, which suggest suitable residences like Craigwell House, where King George stayed during his illness.

Ex-King Departs from Cartagena.

LATER. Ex-King Alfonso, accompanied by the Duke of Miranda, arrived at Cartagena at two o'clock and immediately boarded the cruiser *Principe Alfonso*.

Ex-King En Route to England.

Ex-King Alfonso sailed before dawn on board the cruiser *Principe Alfonso*.

It is believed the ex-King has gone to England.

Republics Proclaimed.

LATER. A Republic has been proclaimed at Saragossa, Cordova, San Sebastian, Huelva, Almeria, and Vigo Town Halls, and at numbers of other towns.

Prince of Wales' Visit to Madrid.

BARCELONA, April 14. The news of the abdication caused a sensation among the passengers on board the *Arizana*.

The Prince of Wales' homeward itinerary included a descent at the Madrid Aerodrome to enable the Prince to see ex-King Alfonso.

This section of their programme will no doubt be cancelled.

New President.

BARCELONA, April 15. Colonel Macia has been proclaimed President of the Catalan Republic.

He has appealed for order and quiet collaboration in order to enable him to regain the liberty of Catalonia.

"New Spain."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.] New York, April 14.

It is reported from the Mexico City headquarters that the "New Spain" opened at noon in Avenida

Madero, and before ex-King Alfonso's abdication was proclaimed the new Spanish Republican purple, yellow, and red flag was hoisted over the building.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Ruony, April 14. According to Press telegrams from various sources for which no official confirmation had reached London to-night, ex-King Alfonso abdicated this afternoon and is leaving Spain.

It is stated that a provisional Government has been formed with Senor Zamora, the Republican leader, as Premier and has proclaimed a Spanish Republic.

Earlier Press telegrams indicated growing excitement in Madrid and Barcelona, where a Provisional Republican Government was said to have been set up and other towns are following the Republican successes in the Municipal sections.

One report stated that the Royal Family, with the exception of the ex-King, left Madrid this morning for Valencia.

One story is that ex-King Alfonso transferred his powers to Admiral Aznar, who immediately sought Count Romanones. He then went to Senor Zamora, transferring the powers of the Government to him, and Senor Zamora gave his assurance that the person and family of the ex-King would be safeguarded.

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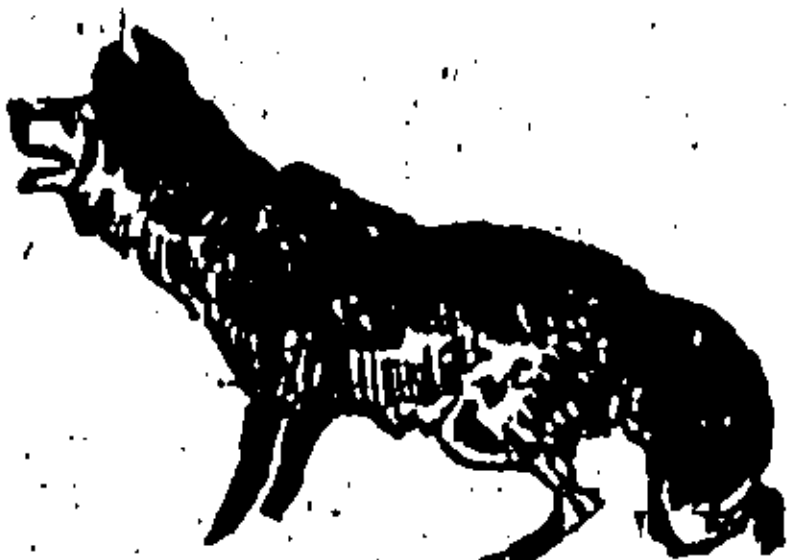
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"I have heard the whole case and I have heard all the witnesses and I am thoroughly satisfied that you are the person who received the cheque and cashed it," said Mr. E. H. Williams at the Central Magistracy yesterday when he convicted a Hungarian named Harry Simon of larceny of a letter addressed to Mr. A. W. Summers, of L. E. Gale Company. Sentence of three months' hard labour was passed on this charge.

Defendant had pleaded guilty to (1) possession of an automatic pistol, a magazine and seven rounds of ammunition without a permit and (2) unlawful possession of an American pilot's identification card.

AN UNFORTUNATE HABIT.

The prosecution concluded their case yesterday when several witnesses were called, one of whom was a Chinese from Messrs. Thomas Cook & Sons, who spoke of handing the defendant a letter addressed to a Mrs. Symonds. This witness stated that the defendant called at Messrs. Thomas Cook & Sons and asked for his mail and on being shown the letter addressed to Mrs. Symonds, promptly claimed it.

Giving evidence on his own behalf, Simon stated that on March 23 in the afternoon he went to the office of L. E. Gale Company and found only the office boy. Later the lady stenographer and a Miss Kelly came into the office. That was about 3 o'clock. At 4 o'clock, Miss Kelly left and witness stayed a little while longer and then went with the stenographer to Lane, Crawford's where they had tea. They then decided to go to a tea dance and the lady went to fetch Miss Kelly while witness waited at the foot of the building. After waiting a while he went to the L. E. Gale office again where he found Mr. Kelly and the stenographer.

Under cross-examination by Detective Inspector Shannon, defendant said he was sure the date was the 23rd because it was the day before the wife of the Hawaiian Governor, Mrs. Gillingham, sailed from Hong Kong. He remembered meeting her at the tea dance in company with a Mr. Murphy.

Witness went on to say that he knew the Gale Company both in Hong Kong and Shanghai and knew them since he first met Mr. Curtis. It was in the early part of March that he came to know the employees of the local office of the Gale Company.

Stenographer's Statement.

Detective Inspector Shannon: You have heard the stenographer say that she was in the office at 2.30. Do you say that that statement is untrue?—Yes.

Can you suggest any reason why the witness should make an untrue statement?—I cannot, but I know she came in at three because I remember making a joke about the boss being away.

Are you prepared to call Mr. and Miss Kelly?—No.

I have got them here. Do you want them in the witness-box to hear out your statement?—I will call Mr. Kelly.

Was Mr. Kelly with you that afternoon?—Yes, after 5 o'clock.

A little while ago you admitted that the writing on the cheque is similar to yours?—The "A," "W" and "S" are like mine.

Can you suggest anybody who would forge your handwriting?—(No answer).

His Worship: Have you any enemies?—At the Gale office, I have met an Irishman who wanted to see my writing and wanted to see Mr. Summers' signature. It was Mr. Kelly.

So that possibly he wrote it?—Well, I don't know.

Do you say that Mr. Kelly was practising your writing and Mr. Summers' signature?—Yes.

Was that on one occasion or more?—He looked at my writing on more than one occasion.

Witness went on to say that on one occasion Kelly got him to write a letter for him (Kelly). That date witness thought was the 23rd, the night of the tea dance.

Money from Shanghai.

When you came to Hong Kong from Shanghai what money did you bring?—\$500.

Where did you get it from?—Shanghai.

You have been living at the Kowloon Hotel?—Yes.

At how much a month?—\$150.

Have you paid all your bills up to date?—No.

Do you remember receiving a chit from the manager of the Hotel asking you to pay up your Bill?—Yes.

On the same date you paid \$120?—Yes.

Is it not a fact that up to the 21st you were pretty hard up?—I was hard up until I got some other money from Shanghai.

When did you get this money from Shanghai?—I don't know when.

How much did you receive?—\$120.

In cash or by draft?—I received a registered letter addressed to Thomas Cook & Sons. I got a chit from them and obtained the letter.

Between March 14 and 23 did you borrow money from anybody?—Yes.

Witness, answering further questions, said that he took \$25 from Mr. Hundt and \$20 from a Mr. Leonard.

Inspector Shannon: So! Did you try to get a loan from Mr. Kelly?—I did not ask him. He offered me a loan.

Witness went on to say that when Mr. Summers arrived in Hong Kong on the 20th, and wanted some money, witness offered to lend him some.

Inspector Shannon: If you were in possession of \$700 odd, why did you not pay your bill of \$101 to the hotel in full?—I expected to stay here until May 15.

"Just Spent It."

What other bills did you pay?—No others.

When you were arrested you had only \$23 in your possession. What became of the rest of your money?—I just spent it.

Witness said he spent over \$200 with some friends who arrived here on the Franconia. He also repaid the loan to Hundt and gave some money to Mr. Kelly.

Did you repay Leonard?—No. What happened to the rest of the money?—I spent it.

You were practically broke again when you were arrested?—No, I had about \$150.

I suggest to you that the money you spent was never \$200, that \$700?—I had spent some before the 23rd.

About Mrs. Symonds' letter, what explanation can you give for opening it and for keeping it after opening it?—That was received with a batch of my other correspondence from Messrs. Thos. Cook & Sons.

It was open when I discovered it. It was my fault I did not send it back.

At this point, Detective Inspector Shannon, pointing to a large pile of letters belonging to the defendant, remarked to the Court: "It is an unfortunate habit of the defendant that he retains everything in the way of correspondence."

Inspector Shannon: Is it because you hate parting with correspondence that you did not destroy or return Mrs. Symonds' letter?—If I had seen it I would have sent it back.

This closed the defendant's evidence when he was asked whether he wanted to call Mr. or Miss Kelly. Defendant indicated that he would call Miss Kelly.

Brokers' Holiday.

In answer to his Worship, Miss Kelly stated that the incidents described by the defendant happened on March 23 and not on March 25. She remembered the date well because it was a Wednesday and was, therefore, a half-holiday among brokers. She did not call at the office of the Gale Company on March 23.

Asked if he wanted to call Mr. Kelly, defendant said: "It is no use calling Mr. Kelly."

Addressing the defendant, his Worship said that after hearing the witnesses he was satisfied that the defendant was the person who received the cheque and cashed it. The whole case for the defence was broken down on the evidence as to the date. The defendant's own witness, Miss Kelly, had stated that the incidents happened on March 23.

(Continued on next column.)

GUIANA RIOTS TRIAL.

MURDERS DESCRIBED IN COURT.

Paris, March 17.—A terrible picture of the now famous Guiana riots was drawn in the Assize Court of Nantes, where the 35 coloured citizens of the French colony, accused of taking part in the disturbances, are now on trial.

As has already been recounted in the *Morning Post* the trouble started after the death of the popular colonial ex-deputy, Joan Galmot, whose death was attributed by his partisans to poisoning.

Suspicion fell on Dr. Jean, a well-known medical man and a prominent figure in the colony. A mob surrounded Dr. Jean's house menacing its occupants with death, and to save him from their hands the Governor gave the order for the doctor to be transferred to the prison of Cayenne.

Protected only by a small escort of native police the unfortunate man was marched through the streets under a hail of stones. Arriving half dead at the prison he was carried to the infirmary to receive medical attention.

It was here that the mob, which had meanwhile burst the prison gate, eventually ran down their prey, and, after painting their victim's face with iodine, did him to death with incredible ferocity.

Two other men, including the doctor attending Dr. Jean, were butchered in the hospital, after which the mob withdrew to put his house to the sack.

During all this time, it is alleged, no attempt was made by the Governor to cause the troops to restore order or to rescue Dr. Jean.

In spite of the weight of guilt lying on the rioters it has been extremely difficult to fix the responsibility of the accused who only form a tiny fraction of the hundreds who took part in the massacre. It seems possible, therefore, that the trial will end in a general acquittal, and in view of the testimony, it is heard, of the examining magistrate at Cayenne, who maintains his original conclusion, namely that Galmot was poisoned, the prosecution may withdraw the principal charges.

It is interesting to recall in this connection that the heart of the former deputy, which was stated at the autopsy, to show more than ample traces of arsenic, was lost between Guiana and France.

March 25. His Worship went on to say that he was satisfied that the cook from L. E. Gale Company was telling the truth regarding the identity of the person who took the letter from him. "You are convicted of the charge," added his Worship.

In regard to the charge of possession of a revolver, Detective Inspector Shannon pointed out that the weapon belonged to Mr. Curtis. This the defendant confirmed.

As regards the charge of possession of a pilot's identification card, defendant was offered the choice between pleading guilty or electing to have that particular charge tried by another Magistrate. He pleaded guilty.

Theft in Shanghai.

Detective Inspector Shannon said in connection with this charge, that the card also belonged to Mr. Curtis. It was kept together with the revolver in Mr. Curtis' baggage in the Y.M.C.A. at Shanghai. The defendant had been to Mr. Curtis' room quite often. The identification card was kept in a wallet which Mr. Curtis did not carry about with him. The loss was not discovered for some time because Mr. Curtis did not worry about the card as he had since got a higher certificate. It was an offence in America for the owner to lose his card and for another person to be found in possession of it. The card found on the defendant bore the latter's photograph.

In regard to the charge of possession of the revolver, Detective Inspector Shannon said that the Inspector General of Police considered the offence quite serious. The I.G.P. objected to a European of defendant's character being in possession of arms as it was likely to get into the hands of undesirable characters. The defendant had been here several months and might easily have registered the weapon especially since its loss was not reported from Shanghai.

His Worship passed sentence of three months' hard labour on the first charge, imposed a fine of \$250 or in default six weeks' hard labour on the second charge and one month's imprisonment on the third count, the sentences to run consecutively.

Defendant asked for permission to say a few words and when this was granted, proclaimed his innocence, saying "I knew nothing about it."

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EARL RUSSELL'S EXPERIMENT.

One of the most remarkable schools in England, is run by Earl Russell (better known as Mr. Bertrand Russell, the philosopher and educationist), and it has practically no rules.

There are about 20 boys and girls, ranging in age from four to eleven, and here are some of the ways in which they are educated:

Need not attend lessons unless they like.

Are never physically punished. Are allowed to be rude.

Can go where they like. Have no religious teaching. Have their baths together and sleep together.

Run about unclothed in warm weather.

In spite of this freedom (Earl Russell would say because of it) the school has been a great success during its four years' existence.

It is at Telegraph House, on the Hampshire Downs, and is far removed from any other habitation. It is approached by a long drive through woods and bracken.

On the short downland turf in the sunshine children play—some riding horseback and some climbing trees.

An Experiment.

Regarding the school, the Earl said:—"It was," he said, "an experiment on my part. I wrote a book on education and had two children of my own to be educated. I thought that they should have companionship, and I did not want a conventional school."

"Another motive was to try my own theories of education. To my surprise the theories have worked out well."

The children are not bound to attend lessons.

"We have told them so, but we find that they still come to lessons, all of them. The idea is that they will be anxious to come when they know that they need not."

"Then, again, we allow them to be rude, and to use any language they like."

"They can, in fact, do any mortal thing they like; there is no restriction. I think it is a good thing to let children say what they like; otherwise the things they cannot say fester inside them."

"If they want to call me or their teachers fools, they call us fools."

"We find that when a boy who has been repressed finds that he can say what he likes and that no one stops him he does not want to say it any longer."

"We do not teach the children politeness. There are a certain number of rules at table to prevent pandemonium, but no more than are necessary."

"The children are a jolly sight better behaved when I am not watching them."

"No religion is taught them," he said, "and I try to make them as international as possible."

"In matters of health the children are ruled, but I try to give them a scientific outlook."

"I let them know the facts of sex as soon as they wish to know. There is no bar to inquiry. I am of opinion that there should be no barrier whatever to knowledge, no matter what the age of the child. Anything one wishes to know one should know."

"The children do not call their school teachers by any respectful title."

NEW LORD MAYOR OF BERLIN.

FORMER DANZIG FREE STATE PRESIDENT.

Berlin, April 9.—Dr. Heinrich Sahm, former President of the Free City of Danzig, who only a few months ago was driven from that important post by the opposition of the Nationalists, was today nominated Lord-Mayor of the German capital for a term of seven years by the municipal election committee whose choice will undoubtedly be confirmed by the city-fathers in their plenary meeting on April 14.

The representatives of the middle-parties from the Socialists to the People's Party voted solidly for Dr. Sahm whose election was opposed by the Communists on the Left and the German National People's Party and the National Socialists on the Right. Dr. Sahm who is 53 years of age was, before he became President of the Danzig Senate, mayor of Bochum and later on of Danzig, as a citizen of the Free City of Danzig he is technically at present not a citizen of the Reich but a foreigner. Aside from being Berlin's chief executive, he will also be its tallest citizen, standing six feet ten in his stockings so that whenever in execution of his former duties he came to Geneva to represent Danzig before the League of Nations, a special bed had to be procured for the giant who always had to travel by day since he would have found scanty comfort in the ordinary sleeping-car berth.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

ENGINEER COMPANY'S SUPPER.

The annual supper and prize distribution of the Engineer Company of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps was held on April 11 at Headquarters. Members and guests attending numbered about 20 and the prizes were presented by Lieut. Wright.

C. S. M. Everest was congratulated on the presentation of the Long Service Medal, made by the G.O.C. at the Annual Inspection and was thanked for the silver shield he has presented the Company to be held by the best shot of the year.

The prize winners were as follows:—

Company Championship: Shield presented by C. S. M. Everest. Small shield engraved with winner's name affixed to border of the big shield.

Winner.—/Cpl. Lockhart. Best aggregate without handicap.—1st Prize: /Cpl. Lockhart; 2nd Prize: Spr. Stephens; 3rd Prize: C. S. M. Everest.

Best aggregate with handicap.—1st Prize: Spr. Smith; 2nd Prize: Spr. Ross; 3rd Prize: Sgt. Coom.

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"They call us by nicknames," said Earl Russell.

This strange school is to be closed in the summer. The Earl said that he came into no money with the title, and that the school is expensive.

He will, of course, send his children to another school.

"I think they can stand it now," he said.

EASTERTIDE IN FOOCHEW AND DISTRICT.

BANDITRY STILL RIFE IN NEIGHBOURING COUNTRYSIDE.

TAXATION AND LOCAL OFFICIALS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Foocchow, April 7.

Easter is over in a blaze of glorious weather. Day after day of rain had made us fear that the week-end in the bungalow at Kuliang, the summer resort in the hills, would be impossible or, if we did go up, it would result in wet clothes, leaking rooms and evil tempers. Thursday came, and, though dull, held out a promise of a fine week-end, and so we took the risk and set out. Passing the famous Buddhist Temple of Kushan, hidden away among pine trees where squirrels play, and where there is no sound but of the big gong struck at intervals of half a minute.

Pagoda Anchorage.

We climbed up the stone path of the pass, which lies under the shadow of the mountain of Kushan; it had turned into a glorious day and we stood at the top of the pass and looked at the river winding in and out between the hills. On our left was Pagoda Anchorage and we could see clearly the ships at anchor and the Pagoda, from which the anchorage gets its name. Before us was the plain of Foocchow, no longer a plain but a lake, crisscrossed with narrow paths leading from village to village, as the Chinese had flooded their fields in preparation for sowing their crops.

All looked very peaceful but we knew the surrounding hills of the North Gate held bandits, as we had been warned of them. They are so near the Gate at present, that the Chinese were afraid of visiting their ancestral graves on the day of Ching Ming, which was Easter Monday.

Kuliang.

We reached Kuliang, which looked very different to the Kuliang we know in the summer. Then it is used by about 300 people, mostly missionaries from up and down country, who use it as a meeting place for all, where they can discuss their plans for the coming year. They have built paths, a small church, a club-house, and bungalows, all of the grey granite quarried from the hills. The red earth tennis courts are as good as any to be found out east.

We spent the cold sunny days climbing and exploring the surrounding hills and when Monday came we regretfully started out to descend to Foocchow. We again passed the Kushan Temple and were surprised to see marines there. Later we learnt a fire had broken out some days before, and Admiral Yang Shu-Chung, who is a frequent visitor, had sent marines up. We understand that several of the monks had been imprisoned in connection with the outbreak, which had destroyed a quantity of wood and part of a building.

The Silk Industry.

The launch met us at the village of Wei Yeh, where they are trying to revive the old silk-worm industry, and the fields around are planted with mulberry trees. We steamed slowly back to Foocchow against a strong freshet and drew alongside the jetty. A few yards ahead of this is the small span of the old bridge, which connects the island to the smaller island of Chung Chow. The two spans of the famous and beautiful old bridge of Ten Thousand Ages is now a conglomeration of granite, wood and iron, as the bridge is being widened to cope with the increase in traffic and to conform with modern ideas. There has been trouble over the contract but a settlement has been arrived at, and work is progressing well. In the meantime, three ferries ply between the island and the mainland carrying passengers.

Dinners and Taxes.

There has been great social activity lately. Old residents, going on leave have been "eaten" out of the port, or in other words there have been innumerable dinners. The men meet at the club and over drinks lament the new taxes the Government are trying to impose. The latest Tax is the business tax, which fills about sixteen pages, and already one foreign firm has been approached with regard to paying 2 per cent. on the Capital of a certain Insurance Company they represent. The Chinese are naturally resisting this Tax, as already taxation is so heavy as to handicap very seriously the trade of the port. Despite the new Customs Tariff, former taxes such as Consumption Tax (another name for *likin*) wine and tobacco tax, are still being collected.

As usual, the coffers of the Provincial Government are empty. All the taxes which have brought in a substantial revenue have been farmed out at much under their value in order to receive ready money, and it is the same old tale of the leading officials and their friends lining their pockets.

The Tea Trade.

As regards tea, banditry has been rife in the Singchuen district so that it is expected the crop of True Souchongs, so far as the crack chops are concerned, will be 50 per cent. short of last season. About twenty-seven tea men were killed last year, so that the rich Tea men are not risking their lives until such time as the District has been cleared. Unfortunately seventy per cent. of the labour is culled from Kiangsi, which has gone "Red."

K.R.A. ACTIVITIES.

FERRY APPROACH AND BATHING BEACHES.

FIRST MEETING OF NEW COMMITTEE.

The first monthly meeting of the newly constituted General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association was held on Monday night in St. Andrew's Church Hall; the following members being present:—Mr. F. C. Mow Fung (President), Capt. C. B. Riggs (Vice-President), Mr. W. J. Brown (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. C. E. Terry (Hon. Secretary), Messrs. E. Cock, B. Wylie, R. Pestonji, T. T. Laurens, W. Goldsmith, H. Pooley, J. M. Alves, F. H. Crapnell, E. C. Tregillus, B. W. Tape, C. M. Mann, R. Stapleton, H. Un, D. W. Munton, L. d'Almeida Castro, Jr., and Lieut.-Col. E. D. Matthews. The President welcomed Messrs. Pooley and Munton on taking their seats on the committee for the first time, and the minutes of the last committee meeting were read and confirmed. The following sub-committees were then appointed:—Correspondence: The President, Vice-President and Hon. Secretary; Children's Playground: Messrs. W. J. Brown, J. M. Alves and H. F. Un; Representatives to N.T. Agricultural Association: Mr. C. M. Mann and Lieut.-Col. E. D. Matthews; Representative to S.P.C.A.: Mr. E. C. Tregillus; Bathing Beaches: Messrs. C. B. Riggs, H. Pooley and C. M. Mann. A letter from the Colonial Secretary, advising that the Association's submission with regard to the Salaries Commission's recommendations had been duly laid before the Secretary of State for the Colonies was read, the latter stated, *inter alia*, that His Lordship had carefully considered the petition, and while it was not now possible to reconsider the adoption of the Commission's recommendations, the facts submitted would be borne in mind when considering the recommendations of the Retrenchment Commission, from whose labours it was hoped substantial savings would result.

"Star" Ferry Approach.

A letter from the Colonial Secretary enclosing a plan of the Government's scheme for reorganisation of traffic in the area and stating that private cars with drivers would be allowed to park for not more than twenty minutes in a space at the rear of the taxi stand, was read, and the scheme discussed in full. In the opinion of the Committee, the new system appeared to be working satisfactorily, but the fullest measure of success could only be obtained by the co-operation of pedestrians as well as of vehicle drivers. While some inconvenience to individuals was to be expected from any scheme, it had to be remembered that the working of the present system was experimental and modifications as found necessary might be instituted. The meeting considered the general safety of pedestrians to be well cared for under this scheme, provided the directions of the various notices were complied with, and they urged the co-operation of the travelling public in general to this end. It was decided to request that increased lighting be provided in the Car Park and the traffic area itself, and to recommend the provision of a rail along the unprotected portion of the street front between the Ferry Pier and the Public Pier.

Kowloon Post Office.

Arising out of a letter from a member of the Association, the inadequate facilities at the Kowloon Post Office were discussed; in view of the statement from Government last year that the financial position of the Colony did not permit of the erection of a large Post Office, it was decided to request that at least the staff might be augmented and facilities more commensurate with the population of Kowloon thus be made possible. Particular reference was made to the fact that Postal Orders of anything other than small denomination could not be cashed at this office, and for many other (normal) postal facilities such as postal of duty-paid articles it was necessary to go to Hong Kong.

Bathing Beaches.

The subject of the decision of Government not to alter facilities for the provision of bathing facilities on public beaches, and the general question of bathing beaches available in Kowloon, was discussed at length, and it was argued that the Association should approach the Government on the matter.

Other questions dealt with included the provision of a car park at the Yau-mai Ferry, marketing facilities for fresh vegetables in Kowloon, and fire appliances in Kowloon City.

The Hon. Treasurer reported that 24 new members had joined the Association since January; members were reminded that subscriptions for 1931 were due, and should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W. J. Brown, c/o The China Light and Power Co., Ltd., Kowloon.

MEI LAN FANG.

PERFORMANCES AT CANTON AND HONG KONG.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 15.

Dr. Mei Lan Fang, celebrated actor of the northern type of Chinese drama, who captivated the theatre-going public with his inimitable performances when he was in Canton some three years ago, is again coming South in response to the request of lovers of the stage. In a telegram to his friend, Mr. Ling Ki, of the Canton Police Headquarters, he stated that he left Peking with his troupe for Canton last Monday, and expected to arrive in Canton next Monday.

Arrangements have been made with the manager of the Hoi Chu Theatre for Dr. Mei and his fellow-actors to give a series of performances at his theatre. The famous Peking actor expects to stay in the South for a month, dividing his time between Canton and Hong Kong. He will give two series of plays in the Hoi Chu Theatre during his stay in Canton, both of which will require ten days. After the completion of the first series, he will leave for Hong Kong to appear on the stage for a period of ten days there, and will return to Canton to complete his second series.

Lovers of the Chinese drama, both foreign and Chinese alike, are looking forward to the visit of Dr. Mei and his troupe. Few men impersonating women on the stage have attained such a high degree of perfection as Mei Lan Fang.

CANTON RIDING ASSOCIATION.

NEXT MEETING ON MAY TENTH.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 15.

The Canton Riding Association has decided to hold its second ride of the present year on the new racecourse at Shek-pai on Sunday, May 10, beginning at 11 a.m.

It was first decided to hold this second meeting on Saturday, May 2, but it was later postponed to the date above-mentioned. In order to accommodate the large crowd of spectators expected, the Canton-Kowloon Railway will run a special train to Shek-pai and return at a fare of 20 cents per person each way.

CANTON-WHAMPOA 'BUS SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 15.

The Municipal Government of Canton is inviting the merchants to operate a 'bus line between Canton and Whampoa along the Chungshan highway, a distance of 11 miles. The nominal tax of \$3 a day for each motor lorry will be imposed. Those who desire to take up such a business are invited to consult with the municipal authorities. The right to operate on such a highway will be given to those tendering the highest bid over the fixed tax. This bidding will take place in the City Hall on April 30 at 2 p.m.

GAMBLING HOUSES.

BEING PATRONISED BY CHILDREN.

Detective Inspector Shannon charged several men with gambling and three with keeping a common gambling house yesterday at the Central Police Court.

Inspector Shannon said the Deputy Inspector General of Police took a serious view of the case as a number of such houses had been opened recently. In the central district alone there were over 40, while there were altogether 200 of these places. Complaints were also made by members of the public that a number of children were patronising the houses. One man had told the police that his son had stolen 15 cents from him and had gone to one of these dens.

The first defendant was fined \$70, while the second and third, who were joint owners of the first, were each fined \$5. Other defendants who failed to appear had their bail of \$2 each forfeited. An order was made for the confiscation of \$11 and a large quantity of cigarettes, which were seized.

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

CROUCHER & CO.'S DAILY REPORT.

The market continues very strong. Hotels & Cements were again in demand at \$14.80 and \$17.90 with few shares available. Realty were rather easier at the close and shares were offering at \$11.85 cash with sellers at \$12 June. Unions and Banks are wanted at \$335 and \$2045. Underwriters have sellers at \$4.55 with business done at \$4.50.

A small lot of Steamboats were taken off the market at \$285 and more shares are wanted for cash and forward delivery. Trams came to business at \$17.80 for cash. Telephones again improved and shares changed hands at \$43 at which rate there were sellers. Ropes were negotiated at \$14.75 settlement and June 815.

Lane, Crawford are wanted at \$5.25, small parcels changing hands at \$5.30. Amusements were wanted at \$285. Eggs were on offer at \$14.90.

PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING.

KWOK-LOCKLIE QUAN.

A wedding of much interest to the Chinese community was solemnised by the Rev. E. G. Powell at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, yesterday. The contracting parties being Miss Pearl Locklie Quan, daughter of Mr. Kwan, Cheuk Hung of Australia and Mr. Alwin Kwok Yui of the Wing On Co., Ltd.

The bride, who was given away by her father, looked very charming in a semi-foreign dress of white satin and carried a bouquet of white arm lilies. She was attended by the Misses Majorie Quan and Nancy Kwok who wore dresses of pink georgette and carried bouquets of roses. Mr. L. Gockchin discharged the duties of "best man." After the ceremony, a reception was held at 124, Caine Road, and at night a dinner party was held at West Point where the bride and bridegroom were the recipients of many good wishes from a large gathering of friends.

UNION CHURCH CONCERT.

The dramatic entertainment arranged by the members of the Union Church, Kowloon, was presented on Tuesday evening at the church hall before a fairly large and enthusiastic audience. Two one-act farces, "The Poacher" and "A Bachelor's Troubles" were the main attractions of the programme, the parts in both plays being taken by Union Church members, all of whom did full justice to the characters portrayed. Vocal and instrumental items were also given during the evening.

KOWLOON AMATEUR DRAMATICS.

Owing to the lateness of the hour at which it finished, we are unable to report fully the very good concert given at St. Andrew's Hall, Kowloon, last evening, when the K.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Players presented three one-act plays from their repertoire. As is usual with the entertainments arranged by this dramatic club the programme was a most enjoyable one, and a full report will be given in tomorrow's issue of this paper.

NO EVIDENCE.

MEN ON SERIOUS CHARGE DISMISSED.

Mr. Schofield discharged Chan Ching and Chan Po, who were charged with the murder of a junk seaman who disappeared last year. The Police were unable to bring any evidence against the two men as the body was not discovered. Addressing the prisoners Mr. Schofield said: "The police are offering no further evidence; in fact no evidence at all against you. You are therefore discharged."

The case concerned the probable fate of a seaman belonging to a Chinese Customs cutter, who was put on board a junk suspected of smuggling salt, with directions to bring the craft in to Shamian. He was not seen again, although the junk was traced to Pingchau, and there was a strong suspicion that he had been surprised and his body thrown overboard, or otherwise disposed of, by the members of the junk's crew who were allowed to remain on board and work the vessel. It was not until recently that the Hong Kong Police arrested the two prisoners in the case. Beyond their identification as members of the crew of the junk, there had been no further developments.

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DISORDERLY PASSENGER.

INDIAN IN 'BUS INCIDENT.

Pashwar Singh, an Indian employed by the Green Island Cement Company, was charged before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday with travelling in a motor-bus, after a request by the conductor to leave, and also with behaving in a disorderly manner while drunk.

The conductor of the 'bus, said defendant boarded at Sham Shui Po, and took a seat first class, paying ten cents. Witness told him that the ten cents would only carry him to Yau-mai. In Canton Road he asked the defendant to get down, but met with a refusal. He asked the defendant to buy another ticket, but the defendant refused and used bad language.

Mr. Hamilton fined the defendant \$25 or one month on the first count and \$10 or fourteen days on the second, and further ordered him to pay \$6.10 to the police or in default another fourteen days, the sentences to run consecutively.

MAXIMUM SENTENCE.

ON MAN WITH LOADED REVOLVER.

Inspector Andrew, of the S. C. A., found a revolver, loaded in five chambers, and seven extra rounds of ammunition in the possession of a Chinese when he visited a waterfront lodging house to confirm information previously received by him. The man appeared yesterday before Mr. Schofield at central magistracy.

The Court was asked to impose the maximum penalty, having regard to the fact that the weapon was kept fully loaded.

The accused when interrogated told the Court that he was induced to have the cylinder fully charged by the proprietor of the boarding house, who pointed out the folly of keeping ammunition in a separate parcel, when bulkiness could be saved by transforming five rounds to the cylinder.

Inspector Andrew said the man had told him this story. He had gone into the matter fully with the proprietor who denied having given the advice alleged. "As a matter of fact," added the Inspector, "this man has reason to think that the proprietor has something to do with his arrest."

The maximum sentence of a year's hard labour was inflicted by Mr. Schofield.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
HOTELS, LIMITED
(Incorporated in Hong Kong).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Excelsior Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong) on THURSDAY, the 16th DAY OF APRIL, 1931, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1930, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 15th APRIL, 1931, until THURSDAY, the 16th APRIL, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARBY,
Secretary.

HONG KONG ENGINEERING &
CONSTRUCTION CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE HONG KONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held in the BOARD ROOM of Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd APRIL, 1931, at 11 O'CLOCK NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1930, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 22nd APRIL, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
B. ALVES,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY
CLUB.

THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 17th APRIL, 1931, commencing at 1.30 P.M. The First Race will be Run at 1 P.M.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No One without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including Tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for Payment of All Ours, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon Application to the SECRETARY, Badges (Limited to One) for the Free Admission to the Members' Enclosure of Wives, Lady Relatives and Friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On No Pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Perimeter of the Hong Kong JOCKEY CLUB during the Race Meeting. Tiffin will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE &
FINANCE CO., LTD.

OFFER OF NEW SHARES.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the 22nd APRIL, 1931, is the Last Day upon which applications for Acceptance or Renunciation of the Offer of New Shares made to Shareholders on 22nd December Last must reach the Company's Bankers in Hong Kong (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) accompanied by a Remittance.

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Dated this 15th day of April, 1931.
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SPECIAL NOTICE.

SUNDAY, APRIL 19th.

THE 38th ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
UNION CHURCH, HONG KONG.

SERVICES:—
MORNING: 11 A.M.
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PREACHER:—THE BISHOP OF
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EVENING: 6 P.M.

PREACHER:—REV. E. G. POWELL.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.10 p.m., stated:—

Pressure is highest in the Pacific to the east of Tokyo, and is low over China generally.

Local Forecast:—S. winds, moderate; squally; cloudy; occasional rain.

DEATH.

JUSTER.—At Kowloon Hospital, on April 15, EMILY, the beloved wife of Andrew W. Juster, Shanghai and London papers please copy.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.15 this afternoon.

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The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, April 16, 1931.

THE MOB WINS.

Or "The Mob," writes Mr. GALS-
worthy, in an excess of bitterness:
"You are the thing that pelt the
weak; kicks women; howls down
free speech. This to-day, and
that to-morrow. Brain you have
none. Spirit—not the ghost of
it. If you're not meanness, there's
no such thing. If you're not
cowardice, there is no coward-
ice."

When one looks back at the Roman mob, with its free bread and arena games, at the London mob that took Titus Oates as its hero, at the French Revolutionaries, screaming for the blood, first of enemies and then of former friends, and to bring it closer, when we remember the strike pickets of Canton, whom Li Tsai Hsin put down, there is not much fault to be found with the dramatist's indictment. Such is the power of rabid and unscrupulous oratory that men who are normally shrewd, kindly and humorous, can be bound together by a telepathic cement and turned into a monster. When a crowd assembles every day, and shouting and violence become a matter of routine, it grows into a mob, with a definite entity, and possessed with the spirit of terrorism and beastliness.

The Spanish mob is now having its hour. Soldiers, civilians, riff-raff and women of fashion are fraternising, driving about in cars, waving flags, shouting slogans and singing songs. Messages come in from the provinces of still further triumphs, and, flashed on screens, are received with appropriate howls. We all know that sort of thing on election nights in England. The President-elect has announced that order will be maintained, that there will be no bloodshed, and in the bright day that has now dawned for Spain efficiency, patriotism and prosperity for all are to be the watchwords. It has all happened before in countless revolutions, and we hope that this time these pious wishes will be fulfilled.

In such manner Spain's constitutional issue has been solved and her ablest statesman has been summarily ejected. The decision is probably final, for in politics nothing is so irrevocable as the dethroning of a king and the setting up of a Republic. Spain herself, it is true, has had some Republican interludes, which are not remembered with pride, but apart from Spain, England is almost the only nation that has ever gone back on such a step, and England never had a true Republic.

When the tumult and the shouting are over a little group of men will settle down to govern Spain. There may be a PILSUDSKI or a POINCARRE among them, who will tyrannise where the King cajoled and accepted a compromise. Prob-

ably they are all enthusiasts who mean well, but we know the way democracy goes. How much better it would be, in these days when government is a science, that behind the politicians, who scramble into power, and go after a brief hour, there should be one who has not had to stoop to conquer, whose whole life has been passed in statecraft and governing. That there is even now a majority in Spain that favours a Republic is doubtful, that there is any fixed hostility to the King no one but a fanatic would maintain. If elections were held it is more than likely that a constitutional monarchy would be evolved. But behind the men who wish to govern is the mob. The politicians have made the clamorous crowds of the big towns the court of appeal. Spain will, of course, rub along under a Republic, but that the new race of political leaders are at all likely to be any better than the old is not in the nature of things to suppose.

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★ News and Views ★

Beauty Contests.

The "Observatore Romano," the organ of the Vatican, is decidedly topical, and has denounced a beauty competition in which Italian girls have been invited to compete. Most of us dislike beauty competitions as much as the Vatican does, one doubts if the best counterpropaganda lies in suggestions that women who think only of housework and the bringing up of children are morally superior to all others. The reminders of the subsequent careers of girls who have won beauty contests is likely to be much more effective. There must be almost enough of these disillusioned, dethroned queens about Europe by now to hold a mass meeting.

"Only an Escapee."

A woman and a man, who had been keeping company for ten years, were secretly married at a registry office in the Isle of Wight while on their summer holiday last June. They parted the next day. Last month the husband arranged for a religious ceremony at St. Clement's Church, Bournemouth. Half an hour before it was due to take place he telegraphed saying he could not come. The wife, Dorothy Baker, of Bournemouth, sued the husband, Leonard Walter Baker, of Salisbury, for desertion. Baker said that the registry office marriage was only an escapee carried out on the spur of the moment. He was ordered to pay his wife 12s. a week.

Harold Lloyd and Chaplin.

Charles Chaplin has created an odd little figure, a faun of the gutter, totally unlike his real, prosperous self. Harold Lloyd, except for his glasses spectacles, is just himself. He uses no "properties," and is quite a good-looking young man. The secret of his humour is that he is always calm and collected. When, as an assistant in a shoe store in his new film, "Feet First," shown at the Plaza Theatre, he stretches a pair of shoes until they burst he is concentrated on watching a beautiful girl. Harold Lloyd's films always have new "gags." One of them is his trick of obtaining a breakfast when a stowaway on board ship pretends to feel a little dog. The sensation of his being hoisted on a house-decorator's platform and performing perilous feats in mid-air is the climax of this new film. He has done that before, it is true, but never with so much elaboration. Perish the scribe who explains that Harold Lloyd was never in real danger in making this film. He thrills you with his hair-breadth escapes from death and makes you laugh at the same time. "Feet First" is a little slow at first, but that has the effect of making the climax more effective. He, at any rate, is a comedian who can talk and does nothing by his speech. This film should be a tonic for the depressed.

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Hollywood's "Love Market."

A "love market," complete with card-index containing the names of more than a hundred girls between the ages of 18 and 20, and wealthy young society men of Los Angeles, has been discovered in the studio of a former publicity agent, who has been arrested and placed in goal, together with his assistant, a former actress. In addition, two young girls "customers" have been taken into custody. The discovery was made in the course of a raid due to the complaint of a girl of 18 that she had been assaulted there. A wealthy broker of Los Angeles has been arrested, but released in \$1,000 bail. It is stated that further arrests are pending.

L.N.E.R. to Discipline Selfish
Smokers.

A campaign for the comfort and protection of non-smokers in L.N.E.R. trains was announced by Mr. William Whitelaw, the chairman, at the company's annual meeting in London. The company, he said, was going to make a strong effort to end the failure of the more selfish smokers to observe the regulations regarding smoking in the company's trains. "Compartments will be labelled with notices prohibiting smoking, and the staff will be expected to be more energetic than perhaps has been the case heretofore in the prevention of the ignoring of the regulations, and in the promotion of the comfort of those passengers to whom smoking is a real nuisance. This is a matter on which we think we have good reason to appeal for the active assistance of the travelling public, and especially of those who have long enjoyed the privilege of having compartments set aside for smoking."

The London Police.

Mr. Justice McCauley recently made some very timely remarks about London police and the detection of crime. The plain truth is that the Metropolitan Police Force is woefully inadequate in numbers to the work it has to do. The new building estates give it huge additional areas to patrol. The work of traffic regulation grows increasingly onerous. Not a session of Parliament goes by without the legislative creation of new offences, which throw new burdens on the shoulders of the police. Yet the Force, which consisted of about 10,000 men in 1900 consists of only about 20,000 men to-day. The problem of preventing burglary in the "dormitory suburbs" is, under these conditions, growing almost impossible. There are two factors which multiply the difficulties. One is that parts of these suburbs are still very ill-lit. Another is that many of the houses are inhabited by young children's couples who keep at most one daily maid. When they go out for an evening's amusement their houses, which are often to a considerable extent isolated, are left with no one to give an alarm.

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At the meeting of the Shanghai Ratepayers held yesterday afternoon, the proposal to purchase the Majestic Hotel site was rejected by a very large majority. Page 9.
A telegram received on going to press stated that it was authoritatively learned that although the King of Spain had left the country, there had been no formal abdication and that no document had been signed by King Alfonso. Page 9.

Aga Khan's Advice.

The Aga Khan in an interview recently stated that he was a firm believer in a scheme for a series of Federal Governments responsible to one Federal Government unit called "India," patterned on the lines of the United States, the whole forming part of the British Empire. "There are two ways of protecting British lives and property," he said. "Give the British the same minority rights as those enjoyed by Indian minorities. Make a ten to twenty-year treaty between 'Free India' and England, fixing maximum and minimum tariffs on British goods, thus relieving the uncertainty and anxiety for British lives and property."

★ Local Notes and Events ★

Looking Back 25 Years.

All who have the welfare of the Colony at heart will be glad to learn that the railway operations in the New Territory are proceeding apace. The greatest progress is seen in the neighbourhood of Taiipo, where several miles of completed embankment are to be seen. Visitors there this Easter assure us that the work is very substantial, and judging by the expeditious manner in which the line is being made, we shall in a comparatively short time be hearing the snort of the locomotive as it emerges from Shatzen and comes speeding along to Kowloon.—Hong Kong Daily Press, April 16, 1906.

Looking Back 50 Years.

Quite a bulky volume is the official catalogue of the second National Exhibition now being held in Tokyo, and a copy of which had just come to hand. Some time ago we reproduced from a Yokohama contemporary an interesting account of the opening of this exhibition by His Majesty the Mikado. The present show is the second that has been held in Japan, the first having been opened in the park of Ueno, Tokyo, in 1877. It is the intention of the Japanese Government to hold these exhibitions every five years, and they were instituted for the promotion of industrial and manufacturing progress. That they are likely to conduce to this result has already been proved by the fact that while the Government found it necessary in 1877 to encourage the manufacturers and producers by monetary advances for their expenses, this year no pecuniary aid whatever was proffered to them, and yet the number of exhibitors amounts to about thirty-one thousand.—Hong Kong Daily Press, April 16, 1901.

LANCASHIRE TRADE IN FAR EAST.

GOODS MUST BE PLACED AT COMPETITIVE PRICES.

BRITISH COTTON MISSION'S REPORT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 15.

A stern warning to Lancashire that she cannot hope to regain or even retain her trade in the Far East unless her goods are placed on the market at competitive prices is contained in the Report of the British Cotton Mission which visited the Far East last winter under the Chairmanship of Sir Ernest Thompson.

Importance of Lancashire's Closer Touch With China Market.

The Mission lays stress on the importance of Lancashire's getting into closer touch with the China market, and recommends the setting up of a special organisation for this purpose.

Prices Must Not Exceed Those of Japan.

After pointing out that Japan as a market is virtually closed, the Report says that China still needs to import a large quantity of piece goods, but owing to the reduced purchasing power of the people quality has become a secondary consideration, and if Lancashire is to recover any of the lost ground her prices must not exceed those of her principal competitor, Japan.

Present Method of Marketing Far From Satisfactory.

The Report points out Japan's advantage in cost at every stage of production, the cumulative effect of which is considerable, and emphasises that a reduction in British costs is the first essential. Pointing out that the cost of merchandising and distribution also enters into the prices at which Lancashire goods can be sold, the Report declares that the present position with regard to marketing is far from satisfactory.

Formation of Company to Control Export and Sales.

The Mission investigated various suggestions designed to increase the sale of British piece goods, all centring round the formation of a company in Britain to control the export and sale of Lancashire goods in China, either at the treaty ports or importing houses, leaving the distribution to Chinese dealers, as at present, or at treaty ports direct to Chinese dealers, or by undertaking the whole of the sale and distribution through its own agents.

Radical Improvement in Exporting and Marketing Essential.

The Report says: "We have come to the conclusion that it would not be wise for any company to embark on up-country trading in view of the prevailing unrest and possible opposition from existing dealers. We favour, however, holding stocks in China of bulk lines, the trade in which Lancashire must recover if she is to see any real improvement; but it is quite impossible to visualise holding stocks in any considerable quantities while Lancashire's business is conducted through so large a number of merchants, all competing one with another. We are satisfied there will be no improvement without a radical alteration in the methods of exporting and marketing."

Standardisation of Qualities for China.

Recommending the setting up of a special organisation, the Mission says that if this is done it should be possible for it to arrange for the standardisation of the qualities required for the China market and place orders with spinners, manufacturers and finishers of such dimensions as to secure that the goods could be manufactured and finished at very much lower costs than those prevailing at present.

Such an organisation would be in a position to ascertain the requirements of the market and maintain stocks at more select points. It could maintain its own organisation in China and work either through the existing importing houses or a selected number of them, or if this proved to be impracticable or for any reason undesirable, the organisation in China could work through Chinese dealers or its own appointed agents as circumstances required. An alteration in the marketing system, however, is not sufficient.

Costs Must be Reduced to Trade at Competitive Prices.

An early appreciable increase in production costs in the East is improbable, and therefore the Report urges all engaged in the industry from buying raw cotton to the sale of the finished article to consider separately or jointly how costs can be reduced so as to enable yarn and cloth to be placed on the market at competitive prices.

The Report concludes: "There is no hope for Lancashire increasing her trade in the markets of the East unless radical changes are made."

Economic Mission's Report Confirms Foregoing.

The Report of the Economic Mission which visited the Far East simultaneously has not yet been published, but it is stated that it confirms and supports the Cotton Mission's recommendations, and expresses the opinion that no industry so dependent on exports as British cotton can continue to exist unless it is fully competitive with other countries.

NEW ZEALAND 'QUAKE.

WARM PRAISE FOR NAVAL MEN.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 14.

In a despatch to the Secretary for the Colonies (Lord Passfield) on the subject of the New Zealand earthquake, the Governor-General (Lord Bledisloe) pays a tribute to the work of naval officers and men, both at the time of the disaster and subsequently.

He states that the presence and splendid behaviour of men from the sloop H.M.S. Veronica, who landed within 15 minutes of the disaster, did much to check the panic, and greatly helped to maintain order among the population, encouraging them to participate in valuable rescue operations.

In addition, officers and men of H.M.S. Veronica and the cruiser Dunedin and Diomed performed invaluable services of varied descriptions for the benefit of the stricken town.

Lord Bledisloe comments highly on the small band of doctors and nurses who helped to bring relief and comfort to an apparently endless stream of injured in the first hours of the disaster, and reorganised hospital services as rapidly as possible.

SITUATION IN PORTUGAL.

WHOLE COUNTRY REPORTED TO BE TRANQUIL.

With regard to the telegraphic news published concerning the situation in Portugal and the adjacent islands the following telegram has been received by the Consul-General for Portugal in Hong Kong from His Excellency the Governor of Macao transmitting a telegraphic message received yesterday from the Minister for the Colonies in Lisbon:—

"The whole country is tranquil; large and important manifestations of support from the Municipalities and the people of the respective districts. The Navy has initiated a blockade of Madeira. Transmission of correspondence and communication from and to Azorian ports, Angra, Ponta Delgada, and Funchal in Madeira, have been stopped. From Funchal absolutely false news has been sent, against which the public should be warned."

The following telegram has been received by the Consul-General for Portugal in Hong Kong from His Excellency the Governor of Macao transmitting a telegraphic message received yesterday (April 15) from the Minister for the Colonies in Lisbon:—"Complete tranquillity prevails in all the Continent and in the Colonies."

JAPAN'S NEW MINISTRY.

RETRENCHMENT POLICY TO CONTINUE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, April 15.

The resignation of Mr. Hamaguchi's Ministry has been received with regret. Mr. Hamaguchi's sterling character won for him the respect and admiration of the whole country. The vernacular papers, however, while deploring the circumstances leading to the termination of Mr. Hamaguchi's Ministry, are unanimous in welcoming Baron Wakabayashi's appointment to the Premiership and the reappointment of all the principal members of the former Cabinet.

This is interpreted as meaning that Mr. Hamaguchi's policies will continue in principle. Count Inouye is quoted as asserting that the retrenchment policy will be continued as resolutely as ever.

IMPERIAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

TO BE HELD THIS SUMMER AT OTTAWA.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 14.

The Dominion Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, in the House of Commons to-day, stated that arrangements for the Imperial Economic Conference to be held at Ottawa this summer were in the hands of the Canadian Government.

It seemed likely that all the Dominions would be represented, although he had not heard so definitely.

Preparations for the Conference, so far as the United Kingdom were concerned, were in active progress.

BRITISH HEALTH PROBLEMS.

MATERNAL MORTALITY TOO HIGH TO BE TOLERABLE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 14.

In the House of Commons to-day, the Minister of Health, Mr. Greenwood, referring to the problem of housing, said there were 10,000 more houses under construction now than a year ago.

He spoke with satisfaction of the smoothness with which the transfer of the Poor Law function from Boards of Guardians to local authorities with a view to securing their co-operation in dealing with the problem of maternal mortality. The present death-rate in child-birth in the country was higher than in the existing state of knowledge, the public could continue to tolerate.

COAL MINING HOURS OF WORK.

PROSPECT OF INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 14.

Answering a Parliamentary question regarding his recent visit to Berlin to confer on the coal situation, Mr. E. Shiwell, Secretary for Mines, stated that as a result of this and other similar informal discussions, the views of several Governments had been mutually adjusted and had considerably increased the prospect of an early adoption of the International Convention on hours of work in coal mines.

Several Governments were concerned, including the Polish, Belgian, French and German.

LORD IRWIN DEPARTS FOR HOME.

MEETING GANDHI AT BOMBAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

New Delhi, April 14.

Lord and Lady Irwin were given a magnificent send-off when they left for Bombay to-day, en route to England.

Gandhi is seeking the retiring Viceroy at Bombay on Thursday.

NICARAGUAN REBELLION.

AMERICANS AND BRITONS KILLED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New Orleans, April 15.

Eleven Americans and an unknown number of British subjects were killed by Nicaraguan insurgents advancing on Puerto Cabezas, according to reports received by the Standard Fruit and Steamship Company here.

MAJESTIC HOTEL SITE.

PURCHASE PROPOSAL REJECTED BY RATEPAYERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 15.

At the Ratepayers' Meeting this afternoon the proposal to purchase the Majestic Hotel site for Taels 3,000,000 was rejected by a very large majority.

Brigadier-General MacNaughton, *inter alia*, remarked that the Shanghai Municipal Council had no fault to find with the working of the District Court so far as criminal cases were concerned.

Japanese Vote Solidly Against Rejected Resolution. (From Our Own Correspondent.)

LATER.

After a spirited two-hour debate at the annual Ratepayers' Meeting among ten speakers, a resolution relative to the proposed purchase of the Majestic Hotel grounds for the purpose of converting them into a civic centre was defeated when the Chairman warned the meeting that the purchase would surely cause increased rates, which meant an intolerable burden on the community.

The Japanese element voted solidly against the resolution, while the foreign women's clubs strongly supported the scheme.

BOXER INDEMNITY FUND.

LONDON PURCHASING COMMITTEE CREATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 14.

A "London Purchasing Committee" has been appointed to spend £4,000,000 out of the Boxer Indemnity Fund for use on the Chinese Railways.

The Chairman will be the Chinese Minister in London, one Chinese member being Mr. C. C. Wang, ex-Managing Director of the Chinese Eastern Railway, and the others British, including Sir Arthur Balfour, Sir Basil Blackett, and Sir Ralph Wedgwood. A similar Sino-British body has been appointed in Nanking and will be under the National Government.

Sir Arthur Balfour.

A member of the British Economy Advisory Council, director of the National Provincial Bank, of High Speed Alloys, Ltd., and of Sheffield cutlery firms.

Sir Basil Blackett.

Director of the Bank of England, chairman, Imperial and International Communications, Ltd., director of all the leading British cable companies, and formerly Finance Member of the Executive Council of the Government of India.

Sir Ralph Wedgwood.

Chief General Manager of the London and North-Eastern Railway since 1923.

MURDER WITH GERMS?

ANOTHER NEW YORK DEATH MYSTERY.

New York.—Murder by the injection of pneumonia germs is the explanation advanced for the death of Georgia Gray, a former actress, the second witness to police corruption and vice whose mouth has been silenced before she could tell her story.

Mr. Samuel Marcus, chief counsel for the Society for the Prevention of Crime, is awaiting the result of an analysis of the girl's organs to substantiate his theory that deadly germs were administered by a person who had been known to threaten her if she persisted in her determination to tell all she knew about a certain police informer and an ex-member of the police vice squad.

Georgia Gray's hotel room was recently broken into and her belongings searched. It is known that she had received telephone calls warning her to "lay off."

When admitted to hospital the girl refused to take any medicine until reassured by officials of the Crime Prevention Society.

The mystery of her death comes as a sequel to that of Vivian Gordon. No clue leading to the identity of the murderer has yet been discovered, despite offers of liberal rewards.

BETHLEHEM STEEL CORPORATION.

BONUS SYSTEM APPROVED BY STOCKHOLDERS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, April 15.

Seventy-two per cent. of the stockholders in the Bethlehem Steel Corporation have approved of the bonus system at present in force.

This is a victory for the board of directors, as on January 14 four stockholders asked the Chancery Court at Newark, New Jersey, to compel the directors to refund to the corporation over \$300,000,000 which they alleged was paid in bonuses since 1911.

The suit was intended to bring about the entire elimination of the bonus system.

RUBBER PRODUCTION RESTRICTION.

MEETING OF DUTCH COMMITTEE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AMSTERDAM, April 14.

An important move to pursue efforts to enforce restriction of rubber production has been taken here. Four members of the Dutch Committee have convened a meeting, to be held to-morrow, to form a new Association and work out an agreement with the Committee of the British Rubber Growers' Association.

SOUTHAMPTON PORT SCHEME.

PREPARATION FOR LARGER LINERS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 14.

Within a few weeks, operations are to begin to give the deep water channel at Southampton a uniform width of 1,000 feet.

At present, the channel is 35 feet deep at low water and narrows to 600 feet from Fawley Beacon to the docks.

The new scheme will cost no less than £240,000.

It is part of a plan for preparing the port to receive even bigger liners.

Work will also begin shortly on the new dock to house the new 73,000-ton Cunard liner now under construction.

This dock will be 1,200 feet long and 135 feet wide, with a depth of 45 feet.

CANADA'S MINERAL WEALTH.

POSSIBILITIES IN THE ARCTIC.

Winnipeg, Canada.—The Venerable Archdeacon Archibald L. Fleming, who is called "Archdeacon of the Arctic" and whose diocese covers thousands of square miles in the Canadian North, has declared in an address here that the region in which he has laboured for many years was one of great potential wealth and that its value to the Dominion could not be minimized. There was much in the Mackenzie river district, coal at Pond Inlet, the most northerly trading post in the world; copper in the Coppermine river district; one of the greatest iron deposits in existence in the Hudson Bay district.

Archdeacon Fleming predicted rapid development of the Arctic with the opening shortly of the Hudson Bay-Atlantic route via Churchill and extension of the Ontario Government's railroad to James Bay at the southern extremity of Hudson Bay. To a large degree, he said, the traditional isolation of the North had vanished, with erection of Government wireless stations at strategic points, with the provision of air mail services and with increasing exploration and survey by governments and private interests.

The Archdeacon stated that 90 per cent. of the native Eskimos still live in snow huts, or igloos. The white traders, according to his observation, treated the Eskimo well. They were not, of course, operating charitable agencies and many things might be improved, but undoubtedly they had increased the value to the Eskimo of the fur which was his living. Work in the educational field was going forward, he added, and Arctic development largely depended upon the class of men sent into the area by the Government and upon the manner in which the Eskimos were adapted to modern customs.

LAST BOURBON MONARCH LEAVES SPAIN.

FORMAL ABDICATION OF CROWN NOT PERFORMED. KING DID NOT SIGN ANY DOCUMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Madrid, April 15.

Though King Alfonso has left the country it is authoritatively learned that he has not formally abdicated and did not sign any document before his departure.

Sad Procession Stealthily Leaves Madrid.

While Cartagena was sleeping at four o'clock this morning a procession of five cars entered the city and hurried to the naval shipyard. It was a sad procession which seven hours earlier had stealthily left Madrid to smuggle ex-King Alfonso out of his country.

Two companies of blue-jackets drawn up on the quayside saluted the ex-King. After a few handshakes ex-King Alfonso walked smartly up the gangway, aboard the Principe Alfonso.

Touching Scenes On Cruiser's Deck. A touching scene was witnessed as he stepped on deck. Two naval officers sprang to attention and shouted: "Long Live the King!" "Long Live Spain!" the ex-King Alfonso replied, raising his hat. His words were eloquent of the patriotic motives which led him to sacrifice his crown.

"I Am Only Being True to My Traditions."

"Sire, I am sorry," came from the quivering lips of the Captain-General as he stretched out his hand in farewell.

"I am only being true to my traditions," replied ex-King Alfonso.

The End.

That was the end. Ex-King Alfonso was quickly conducted to his cabin, the anchor was weighed, and the dark shape of the cruiser slowly disappeared.

Ex-King Leaves a Manifesto. Ex-Queen Ena and her daughters left for Iran.

Ex-King Alfonso left behind a manifesto with instructions not to publish it until he had left Spain. There was a moving scene as ex-King Alfonso left the palace en route to Cartagena.

"I Depart With a Quiet Conscience."

The ex-King turned to his entourage and said:—"I depart with a quiet conscience."

Ex-King Alfonso, who at that moment appeared to be on the verge of a breakdown, was unable to finish the last words.

A cortege of five cars, one of which contained a sergeant of the Civil Guard and seven men fully armed, waited outside the Palace.

Takes Farewell of Queen Ena.

Ex-King Alfonso embraced and took farewell of ex-Queen Ena and members of their family.

As ex-King Alfonso left the chamber, the halberdiers saluted and the officers cried "Long Live King Alfonso!"

Displaying no emotion, the ex-King entered the lift, saying only "Long Live Spain!"

Many spectators of his departure were in tears.

Ex-King Exhorts "Calm and Tranquillity."

The ex-King recommended "calm and tranquillity," and left the Palace. He took his seat alone in one of the waiting cars, and the cortege hurried off.

Provisional Government's Proclamation.

To-day has been declared a national festival.

The proclamation by the new Government says:—

"The Provisional Government of the Republic has taken over power without formality and without resistance. It assumes the headship of the State with the express assent of the triumphant political forces registered by the popular vote at the elections. Interpreting the unhesitating desire of the nation, a Committee of the public forces, whose coalition has been established to inaugurate a new régime, designates Senor Alcala Zamora to the Presidency of the Provisional Government of the Republic."

The Government detailed a special detachment of the Civil Guard wearing red brassards to patrol the neighbourhood of the Palace throughout the night in order that popular demonstrations of joy should not offend the susceptibilities of ex-Queen Ena and her children before their departure in the morning.

Prisoners Released at Barcelona.

BARCELONA, April 15. The city is *en fête* to-day in spite of a general strike and the proclamation of martial-law following the serious incidents of last night reminiscent of the French Revolution.

A crowd numbering thousands besieged the gaol demanding the release of political prisoners, unaware that an order for their release had already been given.

The crowd tried to set on fire and storm the prison.

The Governor of the prison, in order to avoid bloodshed, released all the prisoners, including criminals.

There were similar scenes at the women's prison, where the fingerprint department was destroyed.

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H.K. REALTY COMPANY'S PROGRESS.

SATISFACTORY YEAR REVIEWED BY CHAIRMAN.

FUTURE OF REPULSE BAY PROPERTY.

Presiding at the annual general meeting of shareholders of The Hong Kong Realty & Trust Co., Ltd., Mr. J. Scott Harston reviewed a very satisfactory year's working, and Mr. J. E. Joseph, in seconding the adoption of report and accounts, made a few short observations on the year under review.

THE CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

In addressing the meeting, Mr. Scott Harston said:—

Gentlemen.—As the Report and Accounts have been in your hands for several days, I will, following the usual procedure, treat the same as read.

The Auditors' Report is as follows:—"We report that we have examined the accounts of the Hong Kong Realty & Trust Co., Ltd. for the year ended December 31, 1930, and have obtained all the information we have required. In our opinion, the above balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Company. Linstead & Davis, Chartered Accountants, Auditors, Hong Kong, March 23, 1931."

The profit for the year under review, including the sum of \$6,427.65 brought forward from the previous year, and after setting aside \$22,003.84 for depreciation, amounts to \$122,207.95. Deducting therefrom the interim dividend (paid on September 4, 1930, and absorbing \$60,000) a sum of \$62,207.95 remains, which your directors recommend be apportioned as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of 20 cents per share \$40,000.00
To transfer to General Reserve 10,000.00
To carry forward to new account 12,207.95

I do not think that there is much calling for comment in the accounts, for most of the headings under which the figures are displayed render them self-explanatory.

Exchange Building.

You will observe, however, on making comparison with last year's figures, that the central property, Exchange Building, has (as the result of the sale of that property effected in conformity with the unanimous decision of shareholders made at the extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on Wednesday, July 2, 1930) disappeared from the balance sheet and that in replacement thereof appears the item Second Mortgage on Exchange Building, which was given to secure a portion of the purchase consideration in respect of the said sale in compliance with the terms of the sale agreement, while in respect of the cash payment effected by the purchasers you have investments representing at cost the sum of \$1,274,197.30, with a credit balance at the bank in lieu of the mortgage indebtedness to that corporation, which appeared in last year's balance sheet.

In connection with the investments, you will notice that in spite of the fact that, owing to unforeseen circumstances, it was not considered prudent to embark upon the investment of the funds which accrued from the sale of Exchange Building until the latter quarter of the year under review, capital accretion on the investments held at December 31, 1930, has taken place to the extent of \$100,000 in round figures, which, in the circumstances, I think may be regarded as satisfactory.

Whilst on this subject, I would remark that it appears to your Board that in concentrating upon the branch of its business which it is now undertaking—that is to say, that of investment—the Company possesses greater scope for making increased profits than would have been the case had its activities been confined to the mere letting of Exchange Building and its rural property at Repulse Bay, since, in the case of the former, a natural point in the matter of income had practically been reached and, in regard to the latter, the existence in the title deeds of restrictive covenants of a somewhat onerous nature has made profitable letting of the bungalows a matter of difficulty. Your Board, however, has under consideration a scheme

whereby—in the event of modification of the terms of the Crown lease being obtained—this property can be developed along productive lines which should redound to the benefit, not only of the Company, but also of the general public, by affording facilities—at present non-existent—on modern lines by the provision of dressing and refreshment room accommodation for bathers, with fresh water plunges and other kindred open air amenities, which ought to be available at this, the most accessible and popular beach in the Colony.

Investments.

With regard to our investment business, I am pleased to be able to state that our share holdings are well balanced and comprise shares in the leading local insurance and public utility companies, but I would, however, point out that in the matter of dividend distribution shareholders should not look for results parallel with possible spectacular rises in the market values of the securities held by the Company, as the policy of your Board must of necessity be primarily one of safety, and future dividend distributions must perforce be influenced to a great extent by the state of the local money market and the facilities available for the employment of liquid funds. In this connection, it is gratifying to your Board to note from the Company's list of shareholders and the nature of direct enquiries made at the Company's office, that the Company's shares are now regarded favourably by the small investor who desires to become interested in a diversified distribution of securities selected upon conservative lines and offering the opportunity of a commensurate return upon his outlay.

There being no further matters which appear to call for comment, I now formally propose that the report of the Directors and the accounts for the financial year ending December 31, 1930, as presented, be adopted, and that the balance at credit of Profit & Loss Account and amounting to \$62,207.95 be appropriated as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of 20 cents per share \$40,000.00
To transfer to general reserve 10,000.00
To carry forward to new account 12,207.95

\$62,207.95
and I shall be obliged if a shareholder will kindly second such proposal, whereupon questions as to the Report and Accounts may be raised.

Liquid Assets.

In rising to second the adoption of the report and accounts, Mr. J. E. Joseph said:—In rising to second the proposal of our Chairman that the accounts for the financial year ended on December 31 last be adopted, and that the balance at credit of Profit & Loss Account, amounting to \$62,207.95, be appropriated as already suggested, I wish to say that I do so with much pleasure. The statement of the accounts are clearly set forth, and most of the headings under which the figures are displayed make them self-explanatory. However, with your permission a few short and cursory observations of the Company's working would perhaps be appropriate on this occasion. The majority of the Company's assets to-day are mostly in liquid or realisable form, with the exception of our investment in rural property at Repulse Bay. I am pleased to note that a plan is under consideration for the profitable letting of the bungalows there, as explained by our Chairman, and trust that when the modification of the terms of the Crown lease is obtained this property can be more fully developed along productive lines, which should redound to the benefit of both the Company and general public.

Investments, too, for the period under review, with the surplus funds at our disposal, have proved both satisfactory and profitable, which must be very gratifying to shareholders to have their money so judiciously and successfully invested for them when facilities for the employment of liquid funds are not

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RUSSIAN GOODS IN D.E.I.

NOT A QUESTION OF DUMPING.

GOVERNMENT ANSWER TO COMPLAINT.

Batavia, April 7.—The Government answer to a question in the People's Council regarding Russian dumping confirms that pieces of goods of Russian origin are imported into the Dutch East Indies. The only restriction in the matter of Soviet propaganda.

Originally the goods were marked as coming from Germany, but on the insistence of the representative of the Batavia firm concerned they were later marked as being from European Russia.

The goods are of excellent quality, and are obviously produced by factories with first-rate equipment and by skilled labour. In view of this the Government considers it out of question that the goods could be produced by methods of labour objectionable to civilised countries. It may be true that the conditions for skilled workers in Russia are unfavourable, but this is no reason for the Government to take measures to prevent importation.

The Government does not fear any danger to economic life, as the goods are superior to Japanese products and sell for a higher price, hence there is no question of dumping.

Finally it is stated that efficient Customs control is sufficient guarantee against the importation of Soviet propaganda material.

Member's Question.

A cable of March 4 stated:—The notorious Soviet dumping policy in other parts of the world is rearing its head in the Dutch East Indies according to a question to the Government by a People's Councillor.

He alleged that Russian piece goods were being imported via Hamburg by one of the oldest firms in Batavia and via China by Chinese firms. The origin of the goods had been cleverly disguised. He asked for a thorough investigation to find out whether there were possibly any other Soviet products being imported.

Soviet goods, he continued, were produced by a form of slavery. They were offered at dumping prices which tended to disorganise the economic structure of the Dutch East Indies.

If the investigations confirmed the allegations Government was asked to follow the example of other countries, the United States and Canada, and take the necessary anti-dumping measures.

If this was impossible, in view of Holland's policy that Soviet goods could be freely imported, would Government give the widest publicity to the names of the importers.

easy to find. A diversified distribution of securities selected upon conservative lines with a commensurate return makes the shares of this Company always an attractive investment to small investors in the Colony.

With these few comments and observations, Mr. Chairman, I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts as presented in the balance sheet and that the appropriations, as suggested, be adopted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Election of Directors.

The Chairman.—The next business with which we have to deal, Gentlemen, is the election of directors. As you will have observed from the printed report, since the last general meeting, Mr. E. M. Raymond resigned from the Board but rejoined on March 23, 1931. Conforming with the terms of Article No. 103, Sir Elly Kadoorie and Mr. J. Scott Harston retire by rotation but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Proposed by Mr. K. Stuart-Smith, and seconded by Mr. J. T. Bagram, the motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman.—The final business with which we have to deal is the re-election of Auditors for the ensuing year. The accounts for the period under review have been audited by Messrs. Linstead & Davis, who are eligible and offer themselves for re-election.

This was proposed by Mr. P. H. Suckling and seconded by Mr. F. M. Ellis. It was carried unanimously.

Those Present.

Those present at the meeting were:—Messrs. J. Scott-Harston (Chairman), J. H. Taggart (Managing Director), E. M. Raymond, P. K. Kwok, the Hon. Sir Shau-sen Chow, Mr. J. Clemens (Director), and O. F. Ribeiro (Secretary).—Shareholders present were:—Messrs. J. T. Bagram, F. C. Barry, F. M. Ellis, J. E. Joseph, O. F. Ribeiro, F. L. Silva, K. Stuart-Smith, P. H. Suckling, and Miss E. Pereira.

BEAUTY QUEEN ON MURDER CHARGE.

TELLS OF HER HUSBAND'S JEALOUSY.

WHY SHE BOUGHT HER REVOLVER.

Nice.—Mrs. Charlotte Nirdlinger, the Beauty Queen who has been acclaimed in the theatres of Broadway and at the competitions of nearly all America, played a new rôle last month. She appeared in court for the first time, accused of the murder of her millionaire husband, Fred G. Nixon Nirdlinger.

Mrs. Nirdlinger is 25; her husband was 54. After the shooting in their luxurious flat in the Promenade des Anglais, she told the police that she had shot her husband in self-defence.

I visited the prison, says a Press correspondent, and waited at the gate until the former Charlotte Nash, dressed in a smart cloche hat and grey fur coat, which she clutched to her throat against the cold breeze, appeared with a gentleman on each side. She was conducted to a waiting taxicab with drawn blinds, and was driven rapidly away in the direction of the Palais de Justice. There the taxicab pulled up at a side-door, through which Mrs. Nirdlinger and her escort vanished, thus eluding the crowds.

220,000 Dimples.

She was conducted to an antechamber on the first floor, where the two lawyers who are defending her were waiting. For half an hour they were in consultation. Mrs. Nirdlinger smoked several cigarettes; sometimes she glanced appraisingly at her small hands; sometimes a quick smile would reveal the dimples which she had insured for \$20,000.

She told her lawyers that ever since her husband's motor accident 18 months ago he had been acting strangely. As a result of the accident, she explained, a trepanning operation had been performed.

Since that time his character had completely changed. Before the crash he had always been kind and considerate, although normally of a jealous nature; ever since the operation he became erratic and ill-tempered. During the last six months his jealous disposition had become aggravated.

"When we were out together," she said, "if a man danced with me, my husband's eye followed me all over the room, and when I returned to the table he would ask insulting questions. No matter what answer I gave him, he would fall into silence and sulk."

"After the New Year these fits became more and more unbearable, and in the privacy of our own flat he used to threaten me with all sorts of punishments for what he considered my philandering."

"Feeling that his threats might one day be carried out, I bought a revolver three months ago. Every time my husband quarrelled with me I went to bed with it under my pillow."

"When he seized me by the throat, I saw death in his eyes. In fear of my life I seized the revolver, and in a daze I pulled the trigger. I intended only to frighten him. I acted in self-defence, but that thought has removed none of the horror that I have killed my husband."

Her Life in Prison.

As I stood to-day outside the prison where Mrs. Nirdlinger has been since Thursday the grim building towered above me. The high walls were covered with pieces of broken glass, foretelling the doom of any hope of escape.

Three huge iron gates barred the entrance. Through two of these I passed, then the director of the prison, M. Verdier, received me in his office—a simple room with a plain deal table and half a dozen kitchen chairs. He said it was impossible for me to speak with Mrs. Nirdlinger; but he had no objection to talking about Mrs. Nirdlinger's life in prison.

"Since she has been with us," he said, "she has been resigned. Most of the time she sits on a chair staring at the wall of her cell, or caring for her hands. She hardly speaks to the other women in the cell, who are also awaiting trial for murder."

"The only time her interest is aroused is when her meals, which are being provided by her maid, arrive from outside."

"She has been allowed to receive as many visits as she likes from the American Consul, her maid and her lawyer. Until yesterday she had expressed no desire to see her children, but on the advice of her lawyer, Maître Louis Gassin, she has applied for permission to have her youngest child, Charlotte Lou, aged ten months, to come and share her cell."

"Under French law a mother awaiting trial is permitted to have with her any children under two years of age."

RELATIVITY!

DR. EINSTEIN GIVES FURTHER EVIDENCE.

New proofs of Dr. Albert Einstein's theory which declares that the rays of starlight bend in passing near the sun have been revealed to the famed physicist at Mount Wilson Laboratory.

Dr. Charles E. St. John, astronomer of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, announced the receipt of findings by E. F. Freundlich, astronomer of the Potsdam Observatory in Berlin.

The communication revealed results of measurements of photographs taken by Dr. Freundlich during the last solar eclipse. The measurements are of a star nearer to the sun than any other ever photographed in an eclipse. This star was only nine light minutes or about 100,000,000 miles from the sun, in one of the recesses of the corona.

"Very long and careful measurements and readings of the eclipse plates result in satisfactory light deflections appearing most clearly in agreement with Dr. Einstein's theory of relativity," Dr. Freundlich reported. He said the process of measurement was the most accurate ever made.

"Our method of deriving the scale of photographs was the finest ever used. During the eclipse we treated all plates with a resenu, or calibrated, scale, which was photographed on the plate together with the images taken during the eclipse. Thus the positions of the stars were revealed with very great success and all that was necessary to measure was the Einstein effect."

"One star, nine minutes from the sun's limb, gave a value for deflection of 1.13 seconds. The probable value predicted was 1.20 seconds."

Dr. St. John told Dr. Einstein this was the most convincing evidence of starlight bent by the gravitational effect of the sun ever disclosed.

Dr. Einstein's astronomical lesson was recently given by Frederick H. Sears, assistant director of Mount Wilson Observatory. Mr. Sears is taking a census of the stars in the Milky Way.

The unaided eye, Mr. Sears revealed, "sees about 6000 stars in the whole sky. For the limit reached by the 100-inch telescope of Mount Wilson, the largest in the world, the total is about 1,500,000 stars."

COLLISION IN HAINAN STRAITS.

TWO FRENCH STEAMERS IN MISHAP.

Two French vessels were involved in a collision on Tuesday afternoon in Hainan Straits.

The vessels concerned in the mishap are the Canton, of the Messageries Maritimes, and the Limchow, of the Sing Kee Co. The former vessel left Hong Kong for Haiphong at 4 p.m. on Monday, while the latter was bound for Hong Kong from Haiphong with coal and other general cargo.

The Limchow left Hainan at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, so it is presumed that the collision must have taken place the same afternoon. It is understood that the Henry Kewick will most probably be despatched to the scene.

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BOGUS BISHOP CHARGE.

LORD COWDRAY GIVES £50 TO HOME.

Charged with obtaining £50 by false pretences from Viscount Cowdray, Frank Oswald Charteris, described as a company director, appeared before the magistrate at North London police court.

Mr. W. L. Sanders, prosecuting, called Lord Cowdray, who stated that after a telephone conversation a man he now learned to be Charteris came to his office on January 20.

Lord Cowdray continued: "The man was dressed in full Bishop's clothes. He told me that he was the Bishop of the Falkland Islands. He was with me between 20 minutes and half an hour, during which time he told me about his work on the east coast of South America."

"He said that he was specially interested in a rescue home there and wanted funds. He said that £4,000 was the immediate need. He had collected £3,000 and was trying to get the rest before he went back."

Later, said Lord Cowdray, the man wrote to him telling him more about the rescue home and asking for a cheque to be sent to his (the "Bishop's") London emissary. The letter was signed "N.S., Falkland Islands."

"Colonel and Mrs. Jennings." On February 3 Charteris called again, and he (Lord Cowdray) told him that he would allocate him £50 out of the funds of which he had administration.

The "Bishop" asked him to make the cheque out to a Rev. C. P. Jackson, at Portdown-road, Maiden Vale, and the cheque was received later, duly endorsed.

Mrs. Mary Strike said that she kept furnished rooms at Portdown-road, Maiden Vale, and for about a year up to February 1931, a man and a woman, giving the names of Colonel and Mrs. Jennings, occupied a room in her house.

"Colonel Jennings" she now recognized as Charteris. Among other cheques that he gave her, one—the subject of the charge—she asked her to have specially cleared through her bank. She did so and handed him the money.

"About the time of the 'Bogus Bishop Case,'" said Mrs. Strike, "Colonel and Mrs. Jennings left. I went into their room and found a box in which were a clerical hat, a pair of black gaiters and a clerical coat."

Charteris was remanded in custody.

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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, April 15.			
	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer...	29.77	29.77	29.66
Temperature...	66	8	82
Humidity...	65	83	79
Wind...			
Direction	E	W	O
Force	5	2	3
Weather	OMD	OPFQ	CQ
Rain	0.44	0.00	0.02
Highest open-air temperature, 41.07			
Lowest open-air temperature, 15.67			

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 16 to 22, 1931.			
High Water.		Low Water.	
Day	Time	Day	Time
Thur. 16	6.24	1.10	1.10
Fri. 17	6.48	1.10	1.10
Sat. 18	7.12	1.10	1.10
Sun. 19	7.36	1.10	1.10
Mon. 20	8.00	1.10	1.10
Tues. 21	8.24	1.10	1.10
Wed. 22	8.48	1.10	1.10

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG

ALEXANDRIA

Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.

Tibbadak, J.C.J.L., April 16.
Haiching, Douglas, April 17.
Kumsang, Jardine's, April 17.
Antung, B. & S., April 20.
Tatung, B. & S., April 21.
Haining, Douglas, April 21.
Sirdhana, B.I., April 24.
Suisang, Jardine's, April 25.
Tjisaron, J.C.J.L., April 25.
Hosang, Jardine's, May 6.
Tilawa, B.I., May 8.
Santhia, B.I., May 21.

ANTWERP

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Scandia, Manners, April 20.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terakuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.

AUSTRIAN PORTS

Chungto, B. & S., April 21.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Nellere, B. & S., April 23.
Tatung, B. & S., April 23.
Kitsan Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

BALTIC PORTS

Scandia, Manners, April 20.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.

BALTIMORE

Twedbank, Bank, May 4.

BANGKOK

Kalkan, B. & S., April 19.
Liangchow, B. & S., April 21.
Kwangtung, B. & S., April 20.

BARCELONA

Burgeland, Jensen, April 22.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.

BELAWAN-DELL

Van Heutz, J.C.J.L., April 23.

BOMBAY

Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., April 30.
Kidderpore, P. & O., May 5.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Yio Maru, N.Y.K., May 11.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.

BOSTON

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Twedbank, Bank, May 4.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 19.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

BRIDISI

Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.

CAIRO

Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Tatung, B.I., April 18.
Yuenang, Jardine's, April 21.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Takada, B.I., May 5.
Kumsang, Jardine's, May 8.
Sirdhana, B.I., May 13.
Suisang, Jardine's, May 13.
Tilawa, B.I., May 27.

CASABLANCA

Perseus, B.F., April 23.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.

CHEFOO

Kanchow, B. & S., April 16.
Kueichow, B. & S., April 21.
Huichow, B. & S., May 1.

COLOMBO

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 23.
Glennue, Jardine's, April 23.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., April 30.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Kidderpore, P. & O., May 5.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Yio Maru, N.Y.K., May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
General Metzinger, M.M., May 12.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Sphinx, M.M., May 20.

COPENHAGEN

Scandia, Manners, April 20.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.

DALNY

Idang, B. & S., April 22.
Hupoh, B. & S., April 27.
Sarpedon, B.F., May 2.

DUTCH PORTS

City of Khio, Bank, April 16.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Scandia, Manners, April 20.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Burgeland, Jensen, April 22.
Frankon, Melchers, April 23.
Glennue, Jardine's, April 23.
Perseus, B.F., April 23.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terakuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Vogtland, Jensen, May 9.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Duisburg, Jensen, May 23.

FOOCHOW

Cheongshing, Jardine's, April 16.
Kanchow, B. & S., April 16.
Haiching, Douglas, April 17.
Haining, Douglas, April 21.
Hijsing, Douglas, April 24.
Chipsing, Jardine's, April 26.
Huichow, B. & S., May 1.

GENOA

Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Burgeland, Jensen, April 22.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Vogtland, Jensen, May 9.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Duisburg, Jensen, May 23.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

GLASGOW

Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

GOTHENBURG

Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW

Liangchow, B. & S., April 21.
Kingschow, B. & S., April 24.
Kwangtung, B. & S., May 8.

HAMBURG

City of Khio, Bank, April 16.
Scandia, Manners, April 20.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Burgeland, Jensen, April 22.
Frankon, Melchers, April 23.
Glennue, Jardine's, April 23.
Perseus, B.F., April 23.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Vogtland, Jensen, May 9.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Duisburg, Jensen, May 23.

HAYRE

City of Khio, Bank, April 16.
Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

HONOLULU

Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Tetsuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Hakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

JAPAN PORTS

Vogtland, Jensen, April 16.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., April 17.
Kumsang, Jardine's, April 17.
Mennon, B.F., April 18.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.

KANCHOW

Burdwan, P. & O., April 19.
Elpenor, B.F., April 19.
Trave, Melchers, April 19.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., April 20.
Teshima Maru, N.Y.K., April 20.
Hein Maru, N.Y.K., April 21.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Comorin, P. & O., April 23.
Sirdhana, B.I., April 24.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., April 25.
Suisang, Jardine's, April 25.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.
Duisburg, Jensen, April 26.
Achilles, B.F., April 27.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Sphinx, M.M., April 27.
Glennue, Jardine's, April 23.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., April 29.
Tirpitz, Jensen, April 29.
Sumatra, Gilman's, May 2.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Tyndareus, B.F., May 2.
Menechtheus, B.F., May 4.
Hosang, Jardine's, May 6.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., May 8.
Glennue, Jardine's, May 8.
Kashmir, P. & O., May 8.
Menechtheus, B.F., May 8.
Tanda, E. & A., May 8.
Havelland, Jensen, May 9.
Thesus, B.F., May 9.
Porthos, M.M., May 11.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Mosel, Melchers, May 15.
Diomed, B.F., May 18.
Nagaya, Gilman's, May 22.
Rampura, P. & O., May 22.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., May 23.
Sauerland, Jensen, May 24.
Clenoneaux, M.M., May 25.
Glennue, Jardine's, May 25.

KAYE

Tjisalak, J.C.J.L., April 21.
Tibbadak, J.C.J.L., April 23.
Tijlboot, J.C.J.L., May 5.
Tjikembang, J.C.J.L., May 12.
Tjisaron, J.C.J.L., May 18.

LIVERPOOL

Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

LONDON

City of Khio, Bank, April 16.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 23.
Perseus, B.F., April 23.
Glennue, Jardine's, April 23.
Perseus, B.F., April 23.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terakuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Vogtland, Jensen, May 9.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Duisburg, Jensen, May 23.

LOS ANGELES

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., April 23.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, May 12.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Hakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

MANILA

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., April 18.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Change, B. & S., April 21.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., April 21.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, April 25.
Tibbadak, J.C.J.L., April 25.
Nellere, E. & A., May 1.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, May 5.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 9.
Tjikembang, J.C.J.L., May 12.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 12.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 19.
Taiping, B. & S., May 10.
Kitsan Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

MARSEILLES

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Frankon, Melchers, April 23.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 23.
Perseus, B.F., April 23.
Terakuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Vogtland, Jensen, May 9.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
General Metzinger, M.M., May 12.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Trave, Melchers, May 17.
Duisburg, Jensen, May 23.
Sphinx, M.M., May 20.

MAURITIA

Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 19.

NEW YORK BOSTON, etc.

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., April 23.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 19.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

NEWYORK

Ichang, B. & S., April 22.
Hupoh, B. & S., April 27.

NEWYORK CHINA PORTS

Trave, Melchers, April 19.
Sarpedon, B.F., May 2.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Trier, Melchers, May 5.
Mosel, Melchers, May 15.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

PAKHAI

Kingschow, B. & S., April 24.
Kingschow, B. & S., May 8.

PANAMA

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., April 23.
Tayama Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, May 12.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.

PENANG

Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Tatung, B.I., April 18.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Yuenang, Jardine's, April 21.
Van Heutz, J.C.J.L., April 23.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Glennue, Jardine's, April 23.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terakuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Takada, B.I., May 5.
Kumsang, Jardine's, May 8.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Yio Maru, N.Y.K., May 11.
Rampura, P. & O., May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Sirdhana, B.I., May 13.
Suisang, Jardine's, May 13.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Tilawa, B.I., May 27.

PORT SAID

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Scandia, Manners, April 20.
Teiresias, B.F., April 21.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 23.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 23.
Perseus, B.F., April 23.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Terakuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 2.
Kalyan, P. & O., May 9.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Danmark, Manners, May 11.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
General Metzinger, M.M., May 12.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.
Sphinx, M.M., May 20.

RABAT

Nellere, E. & A., May 1.
Bremerhaven, Melchers, May 6.

RANGOON

Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.

SAIGON

Felix Roussel, M.M., April 23.
General Metzinger, M.M., May 12.
Sphinx, M.M., May 20.

FOOCHOW

Cheongshing, Jardine's, April 16.
Kanchow, B. & S., April 16.
Haiching, Douglas, April 17.
Haining, Douglas, April 21.
Hijsing, Douglas, April 24.
Chipsing, Jardine's, April 26.
Huichow, B. & S., May 1.

GENOA

Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 19.
Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Burgeland, Jensen, April 22.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, May 3.
Vogtland, Jensen, May 9.
Col. di Lana, Dodwell's, May 10.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Duisburg, Jensen, May 23.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

GLASGOW

Teiresias, B.F., April 20.
Aeneas, B.F., May 12.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.

GOTHENBURG

Nanking, Gilman's, May 12.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW

Liangchow, B. & S., April 21.
Kingschow,

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per O.C. Vessel
"AGAMEMNON"
FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA
SINGAPORE
are hereby notified that their Cargo will
be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon,
where it will be at Consignees' risk and
subject to Terms and Conditions of
Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo
will be ready for Delivery from Godown
on and after 15th April.
Optional Cargo will not be landed here,
unless Notice has been given prior to
Vessel's arrival, but carried on from
port to port to the final port of call to
which the option extends.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on any Tuesday and
Friday between the hours of 10.45 a.m.
and Noon, within the Free Storage period.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Vessel's Godown,
and all Goods remaining undelivered after
the 20th April will be subject to Rent.
All Claims against the Vessel must be
presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 4th May, or they will not
be recognised.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
13th April, 1931. [611]

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

S.S. "GENERAL METZINGER."
ARRIVED HONG KONG ON
MONDAY, THE 13TH APRIL, 1931.
FROM MARSEILLES, etc.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the
above-named Steamer are hereby
informed that their Goods with the
exception of Opium, Treasure and Valua-
bles are being landed and placed at
their risk in the Godowns of the Hong
Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery can
be obtained as the Goods are landed.
Goods not cleared within 7 days, in-
cluding date of arrival, will be subject to
Rent.
All Claims must be sent to the Under-
writer before Wednesday, the 22nd Apr.,
1931, or they will not be recognised.
Damaged Packages must be left in
the Godowns for examination by the
Consignees and the Company's Sur-
veyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at
10 a.m. on Monday, the 20th April,
1931.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown, where
they will be examined on the 16th instant,
at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard &
Douglas.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.
R. OHL,
Agent.
Hong Kong, 13th April, 1931. [610]

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS,
LIMITED.

FROM MIDDLESBURG, SOUTHAM-
TON, LONDON AND STRAITS.

The Steamship
"BENGLOE"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns
and/or extra landings of the Godowns of
Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Ltd., whence, and/or
from the wharves Delivery may be
obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
17th instant will be subject to Rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 1st May, 1931, or they will
not be recognised.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on the 16th instant,
at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard &
Douglas.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 10th April, 1931. [600]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
BREITENBURG.

THE Steamer
"ALSTER"
having arrived from BREITENBURG, HAM-
BURG and Ports, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby notified that their Cargo
is being landed at their risk into the
Godowns of the Hong Kong & Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,
Kowloon, where Delivery can be obtained as
the Goods are landed.
Optional Cargo will be landed, unless
Notice has been given prior to Vessel's
arrival.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
23rd April, 1931, will be subject to Rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on 22nd April, 1931,
at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs.
Goddard & Douglas.
All Claims must reach us before the
6th May, 1931, or they will not be
recognised.
No Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
by the Underwriter.
JEBSEN & CO.,
Agents.
NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREITENBURG,
Hong Kong, 15th April, 1931. [605]

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VESSEL.	DESTINATION.	LEAVING HONG KONG.
M.V. "BURGENLAND" (1)	Genoa, Barcelona, Rotterdam & Hamburg	22 Apr.
M.V. "VOGTLAND" (1)	Genoa, Marseille, Rotterdam & Hamburg	9 May
M.V. "DUISBURG" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	23 May

Other Ports of Call if Inducement offers.

ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE.

VESSEL.	DESTINATION.	DUE HONG KONG.
M.V. "VOGTLAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	18 Apr.
M.V. "DUISBURG" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	29 Apr.
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Goods have left the Godowns, and all
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are to be left in the Godowns, where they
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at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs.
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No Insurance will be effected.
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Hong Kong, 16th April, 1931. [616]

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they will be examined on Wednesday,
15th instant, at 10 a.m.
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15 Days of the Vessel's arrival here,
after which date they cannot be re-
cognised.
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APRIL 15.

Buyers	Sellers	Price	Quantity	Buyers	Sellers	Price	Quantity
Banks							
...
Insurance							
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FROM	PER	DUE
SHANGHAI AND AMOY	Goodenow	16th April
CHINA AND STRAITS	Kowloon	16th April
EUROPE via NEAPOLITAN (Let. & Papers)	Burduwan	16th April
EUROPE via NEAPOLITAN (Let. & Papers)	Haruna Maru	17th April
JAPAN, SHANGHAI and EUROPE via	Hakosaki Maru	17th April
SIBERIA (London, 28th March)	Tatma	17th April
AMOI	Emp. of Canada	17th April
CANADA, U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and	Frederick	18th April
SHANGHAI (Vancouver, R.O. 28th Mar.)	Typhoon	19th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Tuiga Maru	20th April
(San Francisco, 30th Mar.)	Frederick	20th April
DAIRYEN and AMOI	Typhoon	20th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Typhoon	20th April
HAI (San Francisco, 24th Mar.)	Typhoon	20th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Typhoon	20th April
HAI (San Francisco, 27th Mar.)	Typhoon	20th April
JAVA and MANILA	Typhoon	20th April
JAPAN	Typhoon	20th April

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FOR	PER	DATE AND TIME
Hakosaki Maru	...	Thursday, 16th, 8.50 a.m.
Haruna Maru	...	Friday, 17th, 1.00 p.m.
Hakosaki Maru	...	Friday, 17th, 8.50 a.m.
Haruna Maru	...	Saturday, 18th, 1.00 p.m.
Hakosaki Maru	...	Sunday, 19th, 8.50 a.m.
Haruna Maru	...	Monday, 20th, 1.00 p.m.
Hakosaki Maru	...	Tuesday, 21st, 8.50 a.m.
Haruna Maru	...	Wednesday, 22nd, 1.00 p.m.
Hakosaki Maru	...	Thursday, 23rd, 8.50 a.m.
Haruna Maru	...	Friday, 24th, 1.00 p.m.
Hakosaki Maru	...	Saturday, 25th, 8.50 a.m.
Haruna Maru	...	Sunday, 26th, 1.00 p.m.
Hakosaki Maru	...	Monday, 27th, 8.50 a.m.
Haruna Maru	...	Tuesday, 28th, 1.00 p.m.
Hakosaki Maru	...	Wednesday, 29th, 8.50 a.m.
Haruna Maru	...	Thursday, 30th, 1.00 p.m.

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Kowloon (except Saturdays)	6.00 p.m.	6.00 p.m.
Kaukang (except Saturdays)	6.00 p.m.	6.00 p.m.
Fatshan (By Train)	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
Tai O	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
Tai Po	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
Shumchun	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
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Saikong	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
Namtau, Shaki & Taipei	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.	6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
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SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SOOCHOW"	On 18th Apr.	9 a.m.
SWATOW & HANGKOW	"KALGAN"	On 19th Apr.	2.30 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 20th Apr.	4 p.m.
SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHIAOY & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 21st Apr.	8 a.m.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	"LIANGCHOW"	On 21st Apr.	Noon
SHANGHAI, NEWCHANG & DALNY	"ICHANG"	On 22nd Apr.	5 p.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 22nd Apr.	5 p.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 24th Apr.	Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SHANTUNG"	On 26th Apr.	9 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGTUNG"	On 28th Apr.	2.30 p.m.
SHANGHAI, NEWCHANG & DALNY	"HUPEH"	On 27th Apr.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUIYANG"	On 28th Apr.	9 a.m.
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHIAOY & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 1st May	8 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KINGYUAN"	On 8th May	Noon

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TAIPING	10th July	13th July	20th July	8th July

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M.S. "Malaya"	27th June	27th June	28th July	
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STATION	Time from Greenwich	APRIL 14, 1931.				APRIL 15, 1931.			
		Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Wind	Direction	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Wind	Direction
Wladivostok	12	29.80	75.7	...	...	29.88	75.9	...	...
Nemuro	11	29.74	75.5	...	...	30.06	76.2	...	...
Hakodate	...	29.76	75.8	...	...	30.00	76.0	...	...
Tokyo	...	29.90	75.9	...	...	29.94	76.0	...	...
Kobe	...	30.00	76.2	...	...	29.94	76.0	...	...
Nagasaki	...	29.98	76.1	...	...	29.94	76.0	...	...
Kagoshima	...	29.98	76.1	...	...	29.94	76.0	...	...
Oshima	...	29.98	76.1	...	...	29.94	76.0	...	...
Naha	...	29.98	76.1	...	...	29.94	76.0	...	...
Ishigakijima	...	29.94	76.0	...	...	29.94	76.0	...	...
Bonin Island	...	29.92	76.0	...	...	29.94	76.0	...	...
Chesofu	15	29.62	75.2	...	...	29.50	74.9	...	...
Shanghai	14	29.96	76.1	...	...	29.79	75.7	...	...
Gunghai	...	30.08	76.4	...	...	29.91	76.7	...	...
Wenchow	...	29.93	76.2	...	...	29.76	75.9	...	...
Foochow	...	29.94	76.0	...	...	29.83	76.7	...	...
Amoy	...	29.93	75.8	...	...	29.79	75.7	...	...
Swatow	...	29.93	75.8	...	...	29.82	75.7	...	...
Taihou	11	29.93	75.8	...	...	29.82	75.7	...	...
Taihu	...	29.93	75.8	...	...	29.82	75.7	...	...
Tainan	...	29.91	75.9	...	...	29.88	75.7	...	...
Koshun	...	29.93	76.0	...	...	29.80	75.7	...	...
Pescadore	...	29.81	75.7	...	...	29.76	75.9	...	...
Hong Kong	14	29.82	75.7	...	...	29.74	75.4	...	...
Gap Rock	...	29.78	75.7	...	...	29.71	75.4	...	...
Macao	...	29.76	75.9	...	...	29.82	75.7	...	...
Hoihow	...	29.77	75.6	...	...	29.78	75.5	...	...
Pratas Island	...	29.73	75.6	29.85	75.2
Phu Lien	16	29.73	75.6	29.85	75.2
Tourane	...	29.73	75.6	29.85	75.2
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Basco	14	29.82	75.7	29.82	75.7
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Vigan	...	29.79	75.7	29.82	75.7
Manila	...	29.79	75.7	29.82	75.7
Legaspi	...	29.83	75.7	29.83	75.7
Calbayog	...	29.82	75.7	29.83	75.7
Tacloban	...	29.82	75.7	...	...	29.83	75.7	...	...
Iloilo	...	29.83	75.7	...	...	29.83	75.7	...	...
Cebu	...	29.80	75.7	...	...	29.82	75.7	...	...
Surigao	...	29.81	75.7	...	...	29.84	76.0	...	...
Batjan	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guam	12.22	29.86	75.5	...	...	29.88	75.9	...	...
Yap	11.00	29.84	75.8	...	...	29.85	75.8	...	...
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.78	75.6	...	...	29.81	75.7	...	...

April 15, 10A. 30m.—The anticyclone has moved to the east of Tokyo.

A depression covers China.

The trough in the China Sea has filled up.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.08 inch. Total since January 1, 7.10 inches, against an average of 8.41 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON APRIL 16.

DISTRICT.

- 1.—Formosa Channel
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamocka
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

Southerly winds, moderate; generally overcast, some rain and fog.

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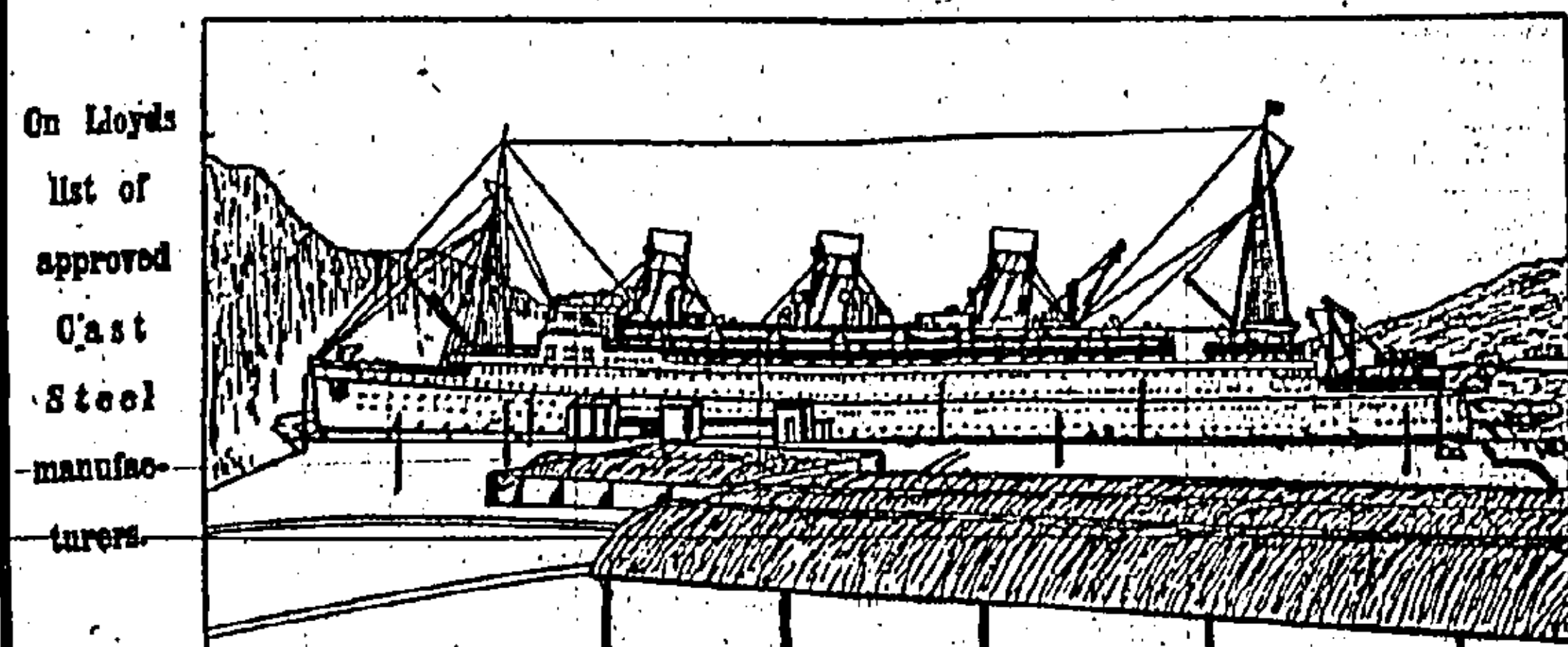
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG" "KUMSANG" "SUISANG"	Tues., 21st Apr., at 3 p.m. Fri., 8th May, at 3 p.m. Wed., 13th May, at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, SHANGHAI & KORE	"KUMSANG" "SUISANG" "HOSANG"	Satur., 18th Apr., at 7 a.m. Satur., 25th Apr., at 7 a.m. Wed., 6th May, at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Fri., 1st May, at Noon Wed., 13th May, at Noon
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Freight	S.S. "Mosel"	...	due here 16th May
Pass.	S.S. "DERFFLINGER"	...	due here 1st June
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